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HIGH SCHOOL GAVE 5

A SERVICE FLAG FOR BOYS WHO JOINED THE COLORS

HOLIDAYS BEGIN TODAY

A Week's Vacation Will be Allowed—All Rural Schools in County Will Also be Closed

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS IN SERVICE.

Erle Lewis, address unknown.

Robert Groppe, somewhere in France.

Elmer Allen, U. S. Aid Corps, Tacoma Wash.

Donald Rozelle, address unknown.

Ernest Alexander, Marine Barracks, Paris Island, S. C.

In a patriotic program yesterday afternoon at assembly the graduating class of the High School presented the school with a service flag containing five blue stars for the boys who have gone from school to serve with the colors. In an appropriate speech the flag was presented on behalf of the graduating class by Elizabeth Leet. Other numbers of the program were addresses by Frank Russell, Harold Houchens and Charles Bellows, Jr., a patriotic talk by Mabel Cook, a pianologue by Mary Miller and music by the High School orchestra.

The Christmas holidays, lasting for one week, begin this evening in the public schools.

Rural schools in Nodaway county will not "keep" next week, despite the suggestion of the state superintendent that there be no Christmas holidays, but that the schools grind on through the week so as to let the children out that much earlier in the spring to help with the farm work.

Bert Cooper, county superintendent, going on the theory that Christmas comes but once a year, and that all work and no play takes the "pep" out of Jack, did not pass along the suggestion in this county, and as a result, most of the school houses will be vacated next week and the children will be enjoying the delights of Yuletide.

Paul Willson Worse.

U. I. Willson left yesterday afternoon for Chicago, called there by the serious illness of his son, Paul, who underwent two operations during the last two weeks and who is now suffering from pneumonia. C. W. Eaton, an uncle, who has been with young Willson during his illness, returned yesterday to his home in Barnard.

Four Barnard Boys to Navy.

Four young men, stalwart and strong, left Friday morning for St. Louis, where they will enter the United States navy, having been enlisted by Miss Carrie Coler, local recruiting officer. They were Emmett Goforth, son of W. H. Goforth and wife, living east of Barnard; Ervin E. Baker, son of Joe Baker and wife; F. E. Wohlford, son of Mrs. Elsie Wohlford, and Earl Harmon. — Barnard Bulletin.

Merited Confidence

The pulling power of the Democrat-Forum advertising has been demonstrated to one of the largest agencies in the world, for it last week sent us seven contracts for advertising, totaling a minimum amount of 1,535 column inches.

Advertising for six out of these seven contracts has never before appeared in the Democrat-Forum. This advertising is for a rubber company, a motor car company, a dental cream company, two cereal companies, a clothing company and an oil company.

In national advertising the Democrat-Forum has been the leader in Nodaway county for years. This month it has carried 40 per cent more than the other local newspaper and more than all the other county papers combined.

Are you local advertisers getting the fullest value for your advertising? These great national advertisers have found the Democrat-Forum to be the business producer.

Only one more day for Christmas shopping advertising. Reserve your space NOW.

THE DEMOCRAT-FORUM.

A GERMAN ASSAULTS SUNDAY

Evangelist's Denunciation of German Atrocities in Palestine Brought On Encounter

Atlanta, Dec. 21. — Billy Sunday holds the decision over a German carpenter after a snappy one-round go staged on the pulpit in the Tabernacle here last night. The evangelist was denouncing the German atrocities in Palestine when the carpenter rushed upon the platform and without warning struck Sunday a glancing blow. Sunday came back with a terrific wallop that all but put the belligerent carpenter out. Sunday stepped back to await another expected rush, but the audience started to take part and before they had finished the German had been badly handled.

The man, who gave his name as W. H. Beuterbaugh, was arrested on a charge of assault.

Sunday had just finished his arraignment of the Turks, which he concluded by saying, "we are going to put it over on all of that bunch because God is with us," when Beuterbaugh was seen to approach Sunday from the rear of the platform. Efforts were made to stop him, but he succeeded in reaching the evangelist, landing a blow that scratched Sunday's face.

Curtis Lyle Home.

Curtis Lyle, who is in training in the Officers' Reserve section of the aviation corps at Omaha, arrived in Maryville yesterday to visit a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Lyle, and his sister, Mrs. Merrill Alderman.

Mrs. George Graham and son and daughter of Conception were in Maryville on business today.

PHYSICIANS ELECT

DR. H. S. ROWLETT NEW PRESIDENT OF COUNTY SOCIETY

A BANQUET AT BAINUM

Dr. Daniel Morton of St. Joseph Addresses Public in Open Meeting at Court House This Afternoon

Members of the Nodaway county Medical Society held their annual business meeting this afternoon, following a dinner at the Hotel Bainum, when the following new officers for the coming year were elected.

President, Dr. H. S. Rowlett, Maryville.

Vice-president, Dr. Vilas Martin, Maryville.

Secretary-treasurer, Dr. C. E. Cossins, Burlington Junction.

After the elcetion of officers and the transaction of some routine business, Dr. Daniel Morton of St. Joseph, member of the State Defense Board, addressed the physicians, discussing matters of interest in connection with the war and the part the physicians are taking. In a round table talk Dr. Morton answered a number of questions that were asked relatives to the status of physicians who are accepted for service or other matters.

At the close of the meeting the physicians went in a body to the court house where Dr. Morton talked at length to a good sized audience who had gathered, his subject being: "War and the Physician." The speaker told of the organization that had been builded by the Medical Corps of the army and navy to care for sick and wounded soldiers and sailors, and the work that was being done.

About fifteen members of the society were present for the meeting, representation from the other towns in the conty not being as large as was expected.

Miss Helen Johnson will go to Burlington Junction to visit with friends and relatives.

FOR SALE AT ONCE—8 room residence, modern and in good repair. A large lot, 86x132 feet. Inquire 303 West First street. Mrs. R. G. Sanders.

SPEED UP WORKERS

THE RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN IS LAGGING

ONLY HALF OF QUOTA IN

Chairmen Urged to Make Daily Reports to Headquarters so Progress of Drive Can Be Learned

Nodaway county's Red Cross membership campaign started off the first of the week with a rush and it looked as though the quota of 6,000 would soon be secured, but it is lagging and it will take some hard work to put it "over the top." Up to date only half the number of subscribers have been secured. Manager F. P. Robinson says that the country districts do not make complete reports each day as was asked and he is unable to tell how the work is progressing. It is urged that every district chairman send in or phone a report of number of members secured each day so that the headquarters office can keep informed of the progress of the campaign.

Only a small part of the solicitors have turned in their cards to headquarters, but there have been received at the office, up to 6 p. m., Thursday, 589 Christmas members, of which 517 are from Polk township and the balance from other townships.

Scattered reports from over the county show that the people are responding with fine spirit everywhere and in many places the response is unanimous.

An examination of the cards turned in show that in most cases every member of every family have joined. Many of the business houses in Maryville have turned in memberships for every member of the firm and every employe, and are displaying the 100% efficiency card in their show windows, and they sure look good.

Today at the Red Cross work rooms in Maryville the ladies are engaged in packing for shipment to France four big packing cases of finished surgical dressings and garments, made this week by the loving hands of the loyal women of Nodaway county. The raw material from which they were made was supplied by Nodaway county chapter, and cost about $1,000. If every old hide-bound slacker in the county could see that great pile of finished product and be made to realize the amount of labor expended by the women in making it up, he would surely hide his head in shame that he was not having a part in the work.

It has been planned to have a solicitor see every person in the county, but if you have been missed you and your family can become members by filling out the blank printed below and mailing it with your check for one dollar for each member listed in the blank, to F. P. Robinson, Campaign Manager, Maryville, Mo.

Every store or office in which all members of the firm and every employe have joined the Red Cross are entitled to display in their window a Service Flag, with small crosses for each member, and inscribed as follows:

100% Red Cross efficiency. Every member and every employe of this concern has joined the Red Cross.

Have you joined?

If your place of business is entitled to this flag you can procure it of Red Cross headquarters, and if you are not yet entitled to it you should get busy at once and meet the requirement, get your flag up and you, your employees and your friends will be proud of it.

F. P. ROBINSON, Secretary Nodaway County Chapter American Red Cross.

Enclosed find check for.....Dollars, for which you will list as members of the American Red Cross, the following:

Name	Address	Amt	Township

W. O. P. Keever and Mr. and Mrs. George Barber of Parnell were in Maryville on business yesterday.

IS CHRISTMAS OF GIVING THIS YEAR

WAR-TIME SPIRIT REFLECTED IN CHURCH PROGRAMS

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

At Christian and Baptist Churches Elaborate Programs Will be Participated in by Young Folks

Christmas programs in Maryville churches and Sunday schools this year will be given as usual, the war-time spirit of giving and sacrifice being reflected in the activities that are announced. It is the patriotic thing to give this year as never before—give to others who are in need and distress. Contributions form local churches and Snuday schools, both in money and substance, will reach considerable proportions.

Programs of the churches and the Sunday schools are given herewith.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

The program to be given Sunday night at the Baptist church is as follows:

Piano Prelude—Miss Jennie Denny.

Opening Hymn—"Shout, O Earth, From Silence Waking."—Choir.

Prayer—Rev. T. H. Wiles.

Responsive Scripture—Matt. 2:7-12.

Hymn—"Silent Night"—Choir.

Reader, Miss Erma Green.

Hymn—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"—Choir.

Christmas Pageant — Nineteen Young Women, Twelve Little Girls.

Hymn—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

Presentations of Gifts of Self.

Hymn—"I Gave My Life for Thee."

Presentation of Gifts of Service.

Hymn — "Away in a Manger, No Crib for a Bed"—Choir.

Exercise, First Year Primary Class.

Carol — Marian Gann, Beatrice Hawkins.

Presentation of Gifts of Substance.

Beginners' department Gifts and Song.

Primary department's Gifts.

Carol—Junior department.

Junior department's Gifts.

Gifts of all Organizations of the Church.

Hymn—"Joy to the World."

Benediction.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The following program will be given on Sunday evening, beginning at 5:30 p. m.:

"White Gifts for the King."

Processional — "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

Prayer.

Hymn—"Joy to the World."

Responsive Reading—Luke 2:1-14. (Distant Voices singing Christmas Hymns).

Reading—"A Legend of Cathay."

Christmas Carol — "Sleep, Holy Babe."

Recitation—"The Beginner's Gift."

Presentation of Gifts of Cradle Roll department.

Song, by the Beginners' Department — "Merry, Merry Christmas Bells."

Presentation of Gifts of Beginners' department.

Song, by Primary Department — "Away in a Manger, No Crib for a Bed."

Presentation of Gifts of Primary Department.

Recitations and Presentations of Gifts of the Junior Department.

Hymn—"Silent Night."

Recitation, by a member of the Intermediate department — "They Gave Him Their Treasures."

Presentation of Gifts of the Intermediate department.

Presentation of Gifts of the Senior department.

Presentation of Gifts of the Adult department.

Presentation of Gifts of the Home department.

Hymn—"O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Christmas Story—"The Birth of the Christ."

Hymn—"Hark! Hark, My Soul."

Benediction.

Organ Postlude.

The entire congregation will join in pledging White Gifts for the King. These will be gifts of Self, of Service and of Substance. All the gifts of Substance will be devoted to relief

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SCOUTS MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Picture at Christian Church Last Night Interested Both Youngsters and Grown-Ups

They were two High School girls, and they were watching the Boy Scout picture, "The Knights of the Square Table," at the Christian church last night.

"I wish I was a boy," said one, "so that I might join."

"I don't see why our boys don't all belong," said the other. "All the girls would sure think more of them if they did."

The Boy Scout movement has many new supporters in Maryville, following the picture shown last night for the benefit of the local troop. Before the picture started, Supt. J. M. McDonald, of the public schools, spoke briefly of the purpose of the Scout movement and its beneficial effect on the mind and character of boys of Scout age. "I know something of it," he said, "for I come in contact with the boys of the Maryville troop every day at school and they are a fine, manly bunch of fellows." Mr. McDonald said that every parent of a boy of Scout age should become interested in the work and have their boys become members.

A part of the troop in uniform demonstrated some of the Scout laws, marching in headed by their newly organized drum corps. Each Scout bore aloft a big letter. When all were put together the words, "Be Prepared"—the Scout motto—were spelled out.

Miss Beulah Brunner left this afternoon for Clarence, Mo., to visit through the holidays with relatives.

Miss Willetta Kittell will leave on Monday for Iola, Kans., where she will visit during the holidays.

O. R. Watt and son of Ravenwood and Mr. and Mrs. Burt Lewis and baby of Harmony were in Maryville today.

Austria's military strength is 1,192,500 men, 2,950 field and mountain cannon, 1,500 trench mortars and 922 heavy cannon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Wells of Ravenwood were Maryville visitors yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Freemont Lyle and son, Marion, of Worth county, were in Maryville yesterday.

A bo xsupper and spelling match were held Wednesday evening at the Ravenwood school. A prize of $1.50 was given the champion speller and went to Leland Frayar, the while the prize for the most popular young lady went to Miss Clara Kidder.

The Senior class of the Parnell high school put on a class play at the opera house of Ravenwood last night. The play was well attended.

Tom Brady, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Will Farnan, returned to his home in Conception today.

Cecil Wilson arrived in Maryville yesterday from Camp Funston, Kan., called here by the illness of his father, William Wilson.

Jesse Miller Jr., who is attending a dental college in St .Louis arrived in Maryville today to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Miller .

Ralph Owens of Independence, Kan., will arrive in Maryville next Monday to visit with his aunt and uncle, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Miller.

UNITED STATES IS IN THE GRASP OF FOOD BARONS

A COMBINATION CONTROLS 80 PER CENT OF NECESSITIES, COMMISSION LEARNS

HOOVER UNDER FIRE BY SENATE COMMITTEE

Gives Evidence in Sugar Shortage Probe — Sensational Disclosures Are Made in the Effort to Learn Ownership of Chicago Stock Yards

Washington ,Dec. 21. — The United States is in the grasp of a combination which controls eighty per cent of the commercial food products of the nation as well as many other products that are a vital necessity, according to information now in the hands of the federal trade commission, conducting the probe. This evidence will be made public in the course of the hearing now in progress.

Herbert Hoover, head of the food administration, was under heavy fire today before the senate sub-committee, who is investigating the sugar shortage. The investigation under the direction of Senator Reed, trained all its guns on Mr. Hoover, who later will face the committee.

From the seclusion of corporation records, the Federal Trade Commission has drawn sensational disclosures of high finance, dummy officers and sham trustees in its effort to determine the ownership of the Chicago Stock Yards and the terminal railroad facilities at the big packing plants there. How the big packers in Chicago collected millions of dollars from the stock yards and terminal railway companies in Chicago after threats to move their plants elsewhere was told.

Investigate Cause of Wreck.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21—Railway officials are unwilling today to assign any cause for the wreck which occurred yesterday near Shepardsville, in which thirty-eight persons, according to the latest reports, were killed, and two score injured. An exhaustive investigation into the cause is being made.

Funeral Services Tomorrow.

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Funeral services for Joseph Cayton, who died at his home in Guilford, will be held at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Christian church, the Rev. Mr. Chapman of Rosendale, officiating. Burial will be in the Guilford cemetery.

A marriage license was issued yesterday in St. Joseph to Rlaph Brogan of Sheridan and Miss Ella Tippie of Hopkins.

Miss Eckles to Oklahoma.

Miss Ora Eckels will leave next week for Haskell, Okla., where she has accepted a position as instructor of mathematics in the high school.

THE WEATHER

Unsettled weather tonight and Saturday; not much change in temperature.

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LETTER FROM GRAHAM BOY

O. A. Smith, Bugler With the 168th Infantry, Writes From Camp Mills, New York

The following letter is from O. A. Smith, bugler with Co. M, 168th Inft., received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith of Graham:

New York, Nov. 1917.

Dear Mother and Father: — I received your most welcome letter tonight and it found me all right. I am in camp in New York, but don't know how long I will be here. We are all packed up and ready to go somewhere. We started to France the 18th of October and got back the 27th. We turned around on the night of the 24th. They told us they turned around on account of the boilers, but I think they were sealed orders. When we landed in New York harbor it was raining and storming and we took the train and went to Fort Mills and then we marched about two miles in the rain and storm and it was about twelve o'clock when we rolled up in our blankets and slept on the ground till morning; and believe me, I sure slept. You may think it 's hard to sleep on the ground and let the rain beat down on your face, but we don't notice it a bit, for we are used to it. So don't you worry about me, for I am big and healthy and can stand it. We are fed fine and have plenty of clothes. We are not doing a thing but laying around camp waiting to be sent somewhere. There is talk about sending us back to Des Moines and keeping us there this winter, and maybe they will send us south; we don't know. But I don't care where they send me, for I am ready to go. Well, I have told you about all the news, so I guess I will close for this time. Be sure to write. I guess you had better wait about sending that box until I get settled. I sure would like to have it. Goodbye.

Your son,

O. A. SMITH.

WILL BE SEED CORN SHORTAGE

State Agricultural College Sends Out Warning to Farmers of State

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 21.—The state agricultural department is warning farmers throughout the state that the selectio nof seed corn next summer will be a difficult matter and greatest caution is advised.

The damage to much of the corn through the early freezing weather will result in much corn that will not germinate, as it had to be gathered in an immature state and had to go through a process of heating that has destroyed germination. A shortage of seed corn for next year is predicted as a result.

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DEAD, THEY'RE WORTH FORTUNE

Ambulance Co. 356 Is Missouri's "Million Dollar Company"

Camp Funston, Dec. 21. — Ambulance Company 356, of the Eighty-Ninth national army division here, calls itself the "million dollar company."

The combined wealth of the company is nearly a million and a half dollars—that is, when dead or totally disabled.

Nearly every member of the 153 men in the unit took the maximum amount of insurance permitted under the soldiers' insurance bill.

Receives Cut in Fall.

George, the little five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Crane received a deep cut over his left eye when he slipped and fell down the stone steps of the cellar of his parents' home west of town Tuesday morning. He was brought to the office of Dr. W. M. Hindman, who dressed the injury. The cut was about two inches long and quite deep.—Burlington Junction Post.

To Visit in Maryville.

H. E. Ford, salesman for the Allen Higgins wall paper company of Worcester, Mass., with headquarters in Chicago, will arrive in Maryville tomorrow morning to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ford, and his sister, Mrs. Joseph Jackson, Jr.

YULETIDE NOVELTIES

CHRISTMAS
"The Spirit of the Nation"

There is no other time of the year so wonderful as Christmas — "Christmas with its cheery thoughts, kind deeds and joyous spirit of giving." There is a desire to share our happiness with others and this year, "our first yuletide in war time," will see an increased desire to make others happy.

War brings unprecedented conditions into our lives—it changes habits, upsets conditions and disturbs the currents of business. But whatever betide, the Christmas spirit will continue to glow. It is part of our being—of our civilization—sacred with its visions of happiness, and youth-friendship and fireside.

Jewelry is the Lasting Gift

For those who seek expression for the Christmas spirit through gifts, we offer qualities that will not disappoint. Of all gifts none are so expressive of the Christmas spirit as jewelry and precious stones. Gifts of jewelry bought here have a permanent value and go far toward making your Christmas ideal.

CAMEO BROOCHES—A good variety to choose from..... $6.00 up
Diamond Brooches also.

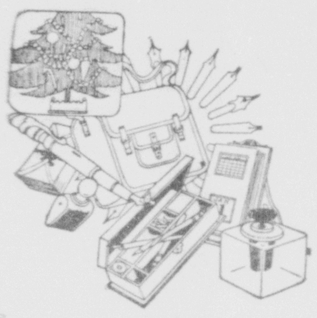
CUFF LINKS—For soft and stiff cuffs. The gift that will please a man.

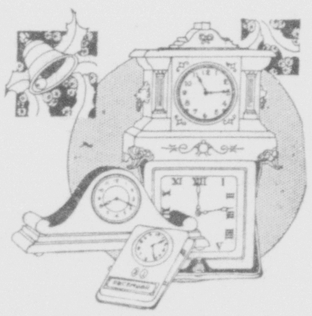
DESK SETS—They make a very handsome gift. priced from.....$1.00 to $10.00

IVORY GOODS—Are sure to please the recipient. Our stock offers a wide selection. You may buy the single articles or in sets.

WATCHES—A watch is necessary for man, woman or child. See our standard makes before you buy. A specialty of Wrist and Military Watches.

THERMOS BOTTLES—Are desirable presents.
STATIONERY AND CHRISTMAS CARDS—Everything that you could possibly want in these lines. Also Ink Stands and Fountain Pens.





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We have many styles at a range in prices from $2.50 to $10.00. All are well-known brands, such as the Seth Thomas, New Haven, Sessions, Gilbert and Ingraham.

These are clocks that are guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Store Open Evenings Until Christmas.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Old Santa:—Don't forget my sister and brother. Will you please bring me a cap and a scarf with it and some nuts and some candy and a story book and a hair ribbon? Goodbye.

LORA BELLE PITTSENBAGER.

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus:—I am sending you a letter to tell you what I want for Christmas. I am eight years old. I want a doll, a ball and some candy and nuts and a story book. Your little friend,

CARMEN MOZINGO.

P. S. My little sister, Dolores, x years old, wants a doll, candy and popcorn.

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa:—Please bring me a dress, a story book and overshoes. Bring my sister a doll bed and a doll that goes to sleep, and dishes. Bring my sister a doll and doll bed. Your friend,

MILDRED MYERS.

Dear Santa.—Please bring me a doll and a doll bed and a ball and some overshoes and some shoes. Bring my little sister a doll and some overshoes and some story books, and please bring my little baby sister a doll bed and little dresses and a hat and coat. Please bring my little brother something nice; and don't forget the soldier boys and the orphans.

MILDRED BRATCHER.

Age six years. 1316 East Second st.

Dear Santa:—I go to school. I am five years old. Please bring me a doll and a box of candy.

MILDRED ULMER.

Dear Santa: — I am a little girl seven years old. I want you please to bring me a doll and hair ribbons and a slate and pencil. Your friend,

HELEN ULMER.

Dear Santa:—I am a little boy six years old. I go to school. Please bring me a little red car and a little train and a box of candy.

Your friend,

FORREST WELLS.

Dear Santa:—How are you? I am all right. Are you coming? I am six years old. Please bring me a doll and a box of candy. Goodbye, Santa.

GRACE McGINNIS.

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa:—Please bring me a sled, a tie, candy and some nuts. Don't forget the orphans and the soldiers.

DONALD WILCOX.

Age six years.

Burlington Junction, Mo.

Dear Santa:—Will you please bring me a doll, a new dress and candy and nuts. Your friend,

HILDRED BARTLETT.

Age 7.

Burlington Junction, Mo.

Dear Old Santa Claus:—Will you please bring me a doll, a new dress, and candy and nuts. Don't forget the children in France. Your friend.

MARY BARTLETT.

Age 9.

Dear Old Santa:—Don't forget my sister and brother. Will you please bring me a cap and a scarf with it and some nuts and some candy and a story book and a hair ribbon? Goodbye.

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Your friend,

MARGARET MYERS.

Parnell, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus:—I am writing you a letter. I was well pleased with the toys given me last year and this year I do not want many things. I want a story book and an arithmetic. That is all I want this year. My sister Florence wants a doll. She will soon be through the primer, but I guess papa can get her a first reader. My brother Leslie wants a pair of skates. Lloyd is my little baby brother, and he wants some bananas. Please do not forget the orphon children who have no papas or mammas. There are six in our family. There are four boys and two girls; but my big brother, Ralph, is fifteen years old and he does not need anything like that, does he? Yours truly,

INEZ NEW.

Age eight, and my birthday is on the 9th of July.

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa:—I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a little stove, a hair ribbon, some little dishes and a little iron to iron my doll clothes with. Please bring my

UNIQUE DECORATIONS

A Pretty Pagan Custom Revived to Vary Holly.

For table decoration a doll dressed as Santa Claus or as an angel could be put in the middle of the table, and tied around its waist may be a lot of narrow ribbons, one for every guest. Each one of these should run from the doll to a plate, where should lie tied to it a tiny parcel with some trifling gift or mock present. If definite places are assigned to each guest some little things which "knock" at some of their foibles would make lots of laughter around the table as the parcels are opened, care being taken, however, not to touch upon some sensitive point, for that would most effectively spoil any further attempt at fun. For this arrangement the table could be decorated in almost any desired way. The doll might be perched upon a tall vase, the base of which might be banked with greens, with either fruits or flowers interspersed. A sprig of holly or mistletoe might be put into each parcel or knotted along the length of the ribbons.

And the rest of the room ought really to be decorated, too, with holly or greens draped over the pictures and at the doorway, for the custom of bringing green things into the home at Yuletide dates back to a very beautiful custom of the old Druid worshipers, who, at a festival which to them was much like our Christmas, brought into their house branches of trees and mistletoe, which was the sacred flower, and they believed that the spirits of Druids driven away from their tree homes by the cold would come and take up their habitation in these branches and that as long as this spirit remained good luck would be with all the members of that household. So from this pretty pagan custom has come ours of decorating our homes at Yuletide.

MARTIAL LAW IN PETROGRAD

Antagonism to the Bolsheviki Government Seems to be on the Wane —Doubt About Kerensky

Copenhagen, Dec. 20.—With Petrograd under martial law the Bolsheviki war office is making preparations for the city to stand a siege in the event the counter revolutionists are able to draw near. The excuse given for the declaration of martial law was that disorders were arising from looting wine cellars by the lawless element, but advices received today said that trenches were being dug several miles from the outskirts of the city and that artillery was being mounted to sweep the main approaches. Word was received that strong forces of Okranian troops, reinforced by Cossacks, were apparently causing the Bolsheviki regime some concern. So far as known there are no anti-Bolsheviki troops near Petrograd.

Despite the recent report that former premier Kerensky was approaching the city with several thousand armed men, nothing more has been heard of the report and it is now considered very doubtful whether Kerensky is even in the field.

Pickering Circuit M. E. Church.

Preaching next Sunday at Pickering at 11 o'clock a. m., and at Myrtle Tree at 7:30 p. m. The annual Christmas entertainment will be given in Pickering on Monday evening by the Sunday school.

Our prayer meeting will be held at the home of H. T. Wray next Wednesday evening, and from now until further notice it will be held at the homes each week on account of fuel shortage.

We cordially invite you to worship with us.

C. S. DAYHOFF, Pastor.

Quality
"WE CAN'T CUT THE PRICE"
WITHOUT CUTTING QUALITY."

YES, WE COULD BUY CHEAPER MEATS —buy them from the same people we buy our prime quality from. But we built up a business on that quality and we don't believe our customers want CHEAP MEATS. Besides—

THE BEST MEATS ARE REALLY the CHEAPEST in the LONG RUN.

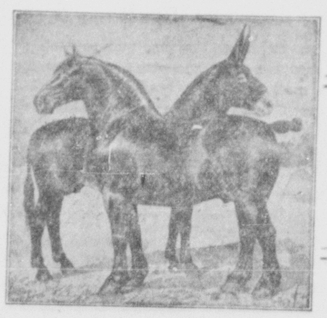
Stapler's Market
Shop Closed all Day Christmas.

ASTHMA
There is no "cure" but relief is often brought by—
Keep a Little Body-Guard in Your Home
VICK'S VAPORUB

Notice—

THERE WILL BE NO CROSSING AT THE WATER WORKS CROSSING EAST OF TOWN FOR ABOUT TEN DAYS.

PLEASE MAKE PLANS ACCORDINGLY.



Wanted

100 English Gunners, weight 1400 to 1800.
100 U. S. Gunners, weight 1200 to 1400.
100 fat Southerns, the good kind.
100 Mules, 4 to 10 years old.
All war horses must be 5 to 10 years old.
SHOW THEM TO ME—I HAVE NO AGENTS.

Bring them in or phone me.

HOPKINS, 1 to 4 p. m. ..... Wednesday, Dec. 26
MAITLAND, 10 to 12 a. m. ..... Thursday, Dec. 27
SKIDMORE, 1 to 3 p. m. ..... Thursday, Dec. 27
GUILFORD, 10 to 12 a. m. ..... Friday, Dec. 28
RAVENWOOD, 1 to 3 p. m. ..... Friday, Dec. 28
MARYVILLE Every Saturday.

Hanamo 31
Farmers 161

Jim Andy Ford

Phone Us Your Orders
Farmers 232
Hanamo 186

Do You Expect the Best Meats?

You can always expect them from this market—and you're sure of getting them, too. And you are not only sure of quality, but of cleanliness and sanitary handling. We might mention price—but

Our Prices are as Low as Our Quality Permits.

Reimer's Market

410 North Main.
Shop Closed all day Christmas.

War-Savings Stamps

What They Are and Why You Should Buy Them

Q. Can I sell or transfer my war savings certificate to anyone?

A. No. The certificate is not transferable and is of value to the owner only, except in case of death or disability.

Q. Should I sell my thrift card to anyone?

A. No. Your thrift card has your name on it and should be filled with sixteen 25-cent thrift stamps and exchanged at a postoffice, bank, or other authorized agency for a war savings stamp.

REGISTRATION.

Q. Should I register a war savings certificate?

A. Yes, if you wish to secure payment in case the certificate is lost.

Q. Am I required to register it?

A. No.

Q. Where can I register it?

A. At any postoffice of the first, second or third class, subject to such regulations as the postmaster general may prescribe.

Q. When can I register?

A. At the time of purchase or any later time.

Q. Is there any charge for registration?

A. No.

Q. Can I register thrift stamps or my thrift card?

A. No.

Q. Can I register a war savings stamp that is not attached to a war savings certificate?

A. No.

Q. Can I register a war savings certificate for any one else?

A. No.

Q. Should a married woman use her own or her husband's name when registering?

A. Her own—Mrs. Mary Brown, not Mrs John Brown.

Q. Suppose a married woman wishes to surrender her war savings certificate which is registered in her maiden name?

A. She should sign herself Mary Jones, now by marriage Mary Brown.

Q. If I have five war savings certificates and have it registered and I put one more stamp on, must I have it registered again to have protection of my sixth stamp?

A. Yes. Each stamp must be registered.

To Spend Christmas in Arkansas.

Thelma and Persis Hunt left this morning for Ft. Smith, Ark., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their father, F. M. Hunt. They will also visit in Little Rock with their brother, Francis. On their return to Maryville they will be accompanied home by their father and brother.

Men Wanted

Over the age of eighteen, for street car conductors and motormen. Permanent positions with steady work to the right men. Physical examination necessary. Write or call in person within the next week. Employment Department, The Kansas City Railways Company, 1500 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

PACKERS WOULD MOVE OUT

Food Price Probe by Commission Brings Out That Packers Wanted Pay to Remain in Chicago

Washington, Dec. 20.—In the first hearing today by the commission named by President Wilson to investigate food prices, the commission was shown how Armour & Company had told eastern financial interests that unless inducements were made the big packers would move out of Chicago and pack further east. In the process of making a financial inducement to stay to Armour & Company, some eastern financiers are alleged to have frozen out the smaller stockholders of Chicago packing interests.

RED CROSS SUBSCRIBERS

In Polk Township

These gave $5.00—Chas. D. Bellows.

These gave $2.00—Elizabeth Ashford, Edna Andrews, Mrs. Colvin Burch, Katherine Curfman, Mrs. Fred Fehr, Mrs. C. D. Hooker, Mrs. John Hamilton, E. W. Heiderman, S. H. Kemp, Mrs. R. Kuchs, Mrs. A. Lippman, Blaine Rhoades, Emma Schroyer, Miss Scott, Mrs. W. W. Stiwalt, Murray Welling, G. H. Westfall, Gertrude Condon, P. H. Deitz, J. F. Dragoo, Katrine Irwin, Ida McKenzie, Agatha Kroetch, S. A. Montgomery, D E. Manley, Edward Zemke.

These gave $1.00—Mrs. E. J. Andrews, Lowell Andrews, Geo. Dennis Andrews, Goldie Adcock, Allen Bros., C. P. Anderson, W. H. Allen, Henrietta Allen, Lucy Mae Allen, Calvin Allen, E. E. Airy, Dr. J. C. Allender, Mrs. J. C. Allender, Mrs. John Appleby, Mrs. H. J. Becker, Mrs. J. M. Blagg, Bert Bratcher, Ed Brewer, E. H. Bainum, Mrs. Anna Bainum, Lucy Bosch, Mrs. E. Bosch, Ida Bosch, Calvin J. Burch, Earl Barmann, Mrs. J. H. Booth, Mrs. Chas. T. Bell, Stella Burr, Mrs. N. H. Brown, Beulah Brunner, W. A. Blaaha, Lena Brown, J. H. Carsteens, Theresa Carsteens, H. B. Cushman, Lillian Carpenter, Mrs. Hattie Cummins, Martha Cook, John Z. Curnutt, Edwin Colbert, Phillip Colbert, Mrs. G. H. Colbert, G. H. Colbert, F. W. Crow, Mrs. Frank Compton, B. L. Collar, Mrs. C. T. Cox, Mrs. T. C. Cooper, Clarence Cooper, Mrs. Elizabeth Clayton, G. Dunkleman, Mrs. John Dempsey, W. Dusenberry, Mrs. J. D. Dickerson, Mrs. Samuel Dempsey, Mrs. W. E. Davis, Eva M. 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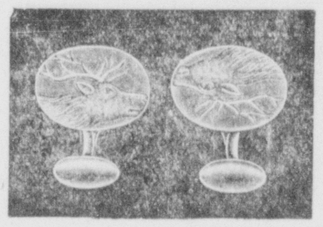

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Singly or in combination sets—in Solid Gold, Gold Filled or Sterling Silver.

Engraving Free.

Solid Gold Cuff Buttons $2.50 to $12
Gold Plated and Gold Filled Cuff Buttons ..... 75c to $3.50

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XMAS SPECIAL—
A few Cameo Brooches — solid gold mounted at $5.00

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MARYVILLE, MO.

Only Two More Shopping Days Before Christmas.

GRAHAMS
Dept. Store - "All Sorts of Things"

This Store will will be Open Saturday and Monday Evenings.

Be Sure and Come

To the store with the illuminated Christmas spirit and filled with "Old Santa's Gifts" suitable for young and old and all conditions of life at prices most pleasing to your pocket book. Bring your list of those whom you wish to make happy with gifts. Look round, take your time to it, and when you leave you will have the contented feeling that your purchased gifts are what you desired for your family and friends. We list a few desirable items.

FOR LITTLE GIRLS.

Pretty Dolls of all kinds ..... 1c to $5.98
Collapsible Doll Carriages from ... 25c to $1.50
Nice Doll Beds, from ..... 25c to $1.50
Tea Sets in China and tin ..... 15c to 50c
All Sorts of Toys and Books.

FOR BIG GIRLS

Celluloid Hair Receivers 10c
Celluloid Toilet Mirror ..... 50c and 98c
Ebony Mirrors ..... 25c and 98c
Comb and Brush Sets ..... 50c, 69c and 98c
Jewel Boxes ..... 50c to $1.75
Burnt Wood Toilet Boxes 10c
Manicure Sets ..... 10c and up
Shopping Bags 98c
Many Other Gifts.

FOR WOMEN.

Hand Painted China ..... 25c and up

Aluminum Utensils of all kinds are elegant gifts. Fancy Glassware in beautiful patterns will always please Her.

Casseroles ..... 98c to $2.69
Table Linen Remnant Patterns .. $1.20 to $1.69
Turkish Towels ..... 15c to 49c
Very Many Other Suitable Gifts.

FOR BOYS

Mechanical Structos, the very nicest gift, because instructive and amusing .. 98c to $4.84
Tool Chests ..... 25c to $1.50
Guns ..... 25c to $1.25
Sleds ..... $1.25 to $2.98
Black Boards 15c, 39c, $1.48
All Sorts of Toys and Books.

FOR BIG BOYS.

Collar Boxes ..... 50c and 98c
Military Hair Brushes 98c
Ties in Boxes ..... 35c to 50c
Jersey Gloves ..... 25c and 33c
Suspenders ..... 35c and 50c
Shaving Sets 98c, $2.25, $3.50
Toilet Sets 50c, 98c, $1.98
Many Other Things He Can Use.

FOR MEN.

Handsome Shaving Mugs 25c
Suspenders ..... 35c and 50c
Beautiful Ties ..... 35c and 50c
Large China Coffee Cups and Saucers 33c
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Warm Gloves ..... 19c to 98c
Union Suits 98c, $1.25, $1.48
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Many Other Practical Gifts Pleasing to Him.

SPECIAL—A full size Doll Carriage with rubber tire wheels and Fancy Wood body, worth $2.69 for ***$1.75***

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Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chi-ches-ter's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHI-CHES-TER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

Notice—

We, the undersigned Merchants agree to close our stores all day, Christmas Day—

—Townsend's 4th and Main.
—Chas Buhler 118 East 3rd St.
—N Schumacher & Sons
—L. S. Byers
—Remus
—Aug. Stapler
—T. F. Reimer

Announcement

THE MARYVILLE ROLLER SKATING RINK WILL OPEN FOR BUSINESS

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 22.

And will be Open Thereafter each Afternoon and Night.

Instruction to beginners. The best of skates and music furnished.

Night admission, including skates and war tax, except on Holidays 28 cents.

Afternoon admission, including skates and war tax, except on Holidays 17 cents.

We will run a clean place of amusement and invite your patronage.

MARYVILLE ROLLER SKATING RINK
H. G. Getchell, Jr., Manager
Holt Building, East Side Square
Over Wadley Brothers.

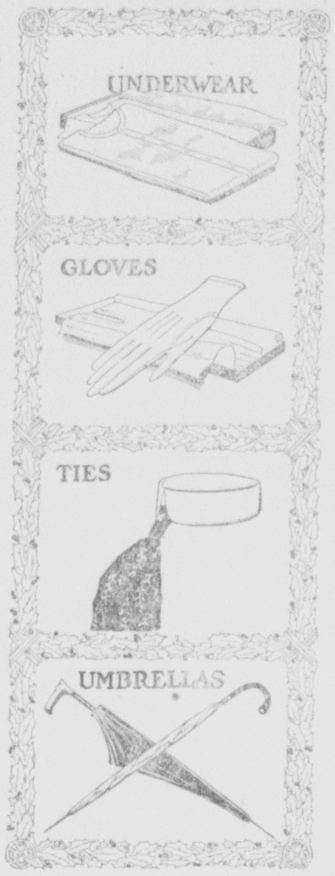
The Xmas Question

It may be that you have already selected all your presents; if not, you will find our store still filled with

MANY SUITABLE and USEFUL GIFTS FOR MEN.

All packages wrapped with Holly paper

Murphy Clothing Company



STOLEN CAR CAUSES MIXUP

Several Nodaway Dealers and Owners Are Attempting to Arrive at a Settlement

The Buick Six touring car which William Guyette bought of J. E. Hornbuckle, the Clearmont Buick dealer, last fall, has been causing all kinds of trouble to several automobile owners the past month, says the Burlington Junction Post.

About three weeks ago an officer came here from Omaha and secured several numbers on the car and its equipment and sent these to the Buick factory to trace the original owner. According to factory records the car had been sold to a farmer by the name of Johnson, who lived near Greeley, Colo.

The car was stolen from him at Cheyenne, Wyo., last August 9, while he was there on business. Clyde Horn of Burlington Junction bought the car in St. Joseph four days later of a man named Epps. He drove the car to Burlington Junction and after owning it a short time exchanged it to J. E. Hornbuckle of Clearmont on a new Buick.

Later, William Guyette of Burlington Junction bought the car of Mr. Hornbuckle and it was since this last transaction that officers began to investigate the case. Last Friday, Johnson, accompanied by Sheriff Dowden and the Omaha officer, came to Burlington Junction and took the car Johnson sold it at Maryville to a man by the name of Shroyer.

The Clearmont agent made good the price of the car to William Guyette and at present Hornbuckle and Horn are attempting to arrive at a settlement of their part of the transaction.

Give your soldier friend an American movement military wrist watch. New ones just received; $10 and up. Kuchs Bros.

Alfalfa Sells High.

The Jake Suetterlin sale, held Wednesday, was a very successful one, the stock selling well and baled alfalfa hay going "away out of sight." Mr. Suetterlin had a number of tons of this feed that others wanted bad'y enough to pay from $28.50 (the lowest price paid) to as high as $336 a ton for it.—Skidmore News.

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New Equipment

It has always been our policy to look ahead to provide for the demands of our patrons and we assure you that this year we have been greatly hampered in obtaining machinery and material.

Last March we ordered a new three hundred horse-power boiler, which has just been shipped, and which we expect in shortly. This boiler under most favorable conditions cannot be in service before ninety days.

New Engine and generator capacity was needed and we found we could not obtain delivery on a new engine for nine months or more, but we discovered a practically new engine, on on which we could obtain immediate delivery and we purchased same and it is now ready to install in our plant. The generator is also shipped and on the way, as we located one in stock in the East.

Our stokers, of course, we were fortunate in having installed early in the fall.

All these new items cost nearly double what they would in ordinary times, but we felt they were essential and made the purchases.

Maryville Electric Light and Power Company

Empire Theatre Building
Maryville, Mo.

What's in the Bag for Us?

"A Little Child Shall Lead Them"

CHRISTMAS is the apotheosis of enfeeblement. It is the exaltation of childhood. It is the glory of the little child.

We celebrate this festival in bleak December, the uncrowned month in our northern zone, lighting its dull skies by the eternal fires of love in human hearts.

There is not in all this land a home where the rain beats through the roof, where the mother and father gather the children more closely to shelter them, but the Christmas truth is shining, "Blessed are the poor."

There is not a homeless boy who in the December night creeps out of the snow into an empty dry goods box in the alley, not a little fellow up under the rafters of the poor house on the county farm, not a foundling left in a basket at the rich man's door, not a shivering, tiny girl unfitted for a fight with the storm, but the new truth of the Christmas spreads its wings over them.

"When I am weak, then am I strong." Who is weak? Who is infirm upon his feet and walks with a crutch? Who is afraid of the northeast wind? Who says: "I am better; yes, I think I am getting better. But somehow I do not get my vigor back?" Who leans up against the bale of goods in the half-hidden counter and knows that she came back to work too soon? Who was born blind?

To all of you the Christmas has its meaning. There never was a conqueror like the child in the cradle. God hath chosen the weak things to confound the mighty. For 2,000 years the history of the world's civilization has been the story of the gentler virtues, the poem, the song and the triumph of suffering well. The race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong. Every letter of that sentence is eternally true.

The grandest things that were ever done on earth were done by men and women who had the spirit of the child. The sublimest work of the Creator is the sweet-faced little child. It is everything for the child, heaven please—all harvests, all gold, all schools, all trade, all government, all the coming better times. Christmas means, "And a little child shall lead them."—Emory J. Hayne in New York World.

Few Christmas Toys Then.

Throughout the colonies in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries toys were an almost unknown factor, but wherever Christmas observances were not frowned upon by religion feasting and good cheer were abundant, and rich and poor, old and young, shared in the games, abundant food and genial atmosphere. In the eighteenth century toys began to make their appearance in the colonies. Some of them were brought from overseas and had the enchanting quality of novelty. Little girls who had helped to mother their younger brothers and sisters were delighted with dolls that were all their own, to fondle and coddle. A toy was a thing to be cherished in those days. —Churchman.

Christmas on Christmas Island.

They never have any "white" Christmases on Christmas island. The thermometer never falls below 70 and never rises above 90 in the shade.

Christmas island lies about 250 miles southeast of the western extremity of Java. It is in the Indian ocean and belongs to Great Britain, having been annexed in 1888. This interesting little bit of land in midsea appears to have been originally a coral reef, which by volcanic forces has been raised so high that at its highest point it sticks out of the water 1,600 feet. In shape it is an irregular quadrilateral. It has an area of about twenty square miles.

The Three Wise Men

ONE Christmas mystery remains unsolved. Who were the wise men of the East—the magi who followed the star of Bethlehem from afar to do homage to the new-born Saviour?

It is fair to assume from the fact that the visitors were received at court by King Herod and that they carried gifts of value that they were in their own country men of royalty or close to it. Herod evidently deemed it well to treat them with deference, for disquieted though he was to lead them to the birthplace of the Redeemer he dissembled and told them that when they had found the new born he would return to worship with them.

Much of our information about the early days of the Christian era comes from the monks of the fourteenth century, who delved deeply into historical sources since lost to the world. Their story of the three wise men has received wide credence. According to these monks, the wise men were three great kings called Caspar, Melchoir and Balthasar. Caspar was the oldest and from the North. At the time of the birth of Christ he was sixty years old, and for more than two-thirds of that time he had ruled in Arabia. Balthasar was black, a native of Saba, from the East, and forty years old. The youngest was Melchoir, from the South, whose country was Tarshish. He was twenty years old.

Impelled by some mysterious power, they dropped all the cares of the state and followed a single star thirteen days and nights, without eating or sleeping, till it led them to Jerusalem.

Then the story follows that of the Bible until they returned to their own countries.

The story does not stop here. It tells circumstantially the after life of the three wise men. The good Apostle St. Thomas journeyed to their country and baptized them, and all three went out to preach the doctrine of the Christ.

They were slain by barbarous gentiles, and later the Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, recovered their sacred bones and took them to Constantinople. Thence they were carried to Milan and finally found an ultimate resting place in Cologne, where they now are.—New York Post.

Christmas and the Children

The little folks are talkin'—they talk like anything
'Bout Santy Claus a-comin' an' what he's goin' to bring,
An' the mother never scolds 'em or tells 'em 'bout the noise.
They're just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

Because they know that Santy Claus knows everything they do
An' while he's loading up his sleigh he's watchin' of 'em too!
An' them that minds their mothers, they gets the most of toys.
They're just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

They've just been writin' letters to Santy Claus each day
An' tellin' him just what they want an' showin' him the way
To where the house is, so he'll know just where to leave the toys
For just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

They're gittin' mighty anxious fer the days an' nights to go,
An' all of 'em are happy, an' they make their mothers so!
She never has to scold 'em or tell 'em 'bout the noise
'Cause they're just the sweetest little girls, the best of little boys!

—Frank L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

Coat Bargains

We have just 23 Children's Coats left, values up to $20.00 that we have been selling for $3.98. We desire to close these out by Saturday night and offer you your choice of this lot for **$1.98**

Ladies' Black Broadcloth Coats, sizes 36 to 44, values up to $35.00, choice of this lot **$4.98**

All cloth coats from our regular stock—all new coats bought this season now reduced ***One-Fourth and One-Third off the regular price.***

For Saturday only choice of any wool serge dress HALF PRICE.

OTHER VALUES YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO PASS.

Ladies' heavy weight cotton fleece vests and drawers, in size 34 only worth $1.00 a garment, for a garment 50c

Child's all wool shirts and drawers, values up to $1.00 a garment for a garment 25c

If you can use separate underwear, these are values.

One lot of fur muffs and scarfs now HALF PRICE.

All new neckwear reduced ONE-THIRD.

Kid gloves are greatly reduced.

Silk petticoats reduced TWENTY PER CENT.

Men's cotton flannel work mittens, per dozen $1.25

An assortment of fancy goods to close out quick—all 50c items 19c

All 25c items 15c

Linen Table Scarfs and other merchandise of this character now HALF PRICE.

Rugs of all kinds reduced TEN PER CENT.

Buy at EVERSOLE'S tomorrow and SAVE BIG MONEY. Ninety Cents will buy here Saturday what you pay One Dollar for Elsewhere.

TABLE COVERS AND BATH MATS

$7.50 values for $4.95
3.85 values for 2.48
2.50 values for 1.98
2.00 values for 1.40
1.50 values for 1.25

SILK WAISTS

$3.48 Waists now $2.50
3.75 Waists now 2.59
5.00 crepe de chine 3.50
5.00 Georgette 3.35
6.00 Waists now 4.50
6.50 Waists now 4.98

CORSETS

$1.25 values for $1.00
1.50 values for 1.25
2.00 values for 1.75
2.50 values for 2.00
3.00 values for 2.50

REMEMBER—All merchandise not otherwise advertised is subject to a discount of TEN PER CENT.

SILKS ARE GREATLY REDUCED.

Buy your wife, sweetheart or friend a silk waist or dress for Christmas. A silk waist or dress would be the most appreciated gift you could give—also a very useful one. We carry the most complete stock of fancy and plain silks of any store in Maryville and a selection here would not be burdensome.

D. R. Eversole & Son

WETS VS. THE DRYS

WILL BE THE BIG FORCES IN NEXT YEAR'S ELECTION

A FIGHT IN PROSPECT

State Politicians Are Figuring Out What the Legislature Will Do With the Proposition

Jefferson City, Dec. 21.—Missouri's law makers will go to the mat in one of the liveliest fights in the state history on the wet and dry proposition at the next regular session, according to politicians here.

When it comes to a vote of the people on the prohibition question the state is safely wet, but when it comes to the state legislature, which under the measure passed by congress now has the sole say-so—the situation is entirely different.

In the last legislature the house was safely dry with a few shifting members to spare. The senate was a dubious factor and there was a doubt up to the last whether it was "wet" or "dry."

It was a singular fact that the dry measures went through in much the same way as planned although their passage may be ascribed to a factional split among the "Old Guard" over the Gardner appointees.

That if the ratification of a dry measure such as congress now proposes had been before the last legislature it would have passed with a majority of probably two votes to spare, is the opinion of many wiseacres here.

Now that the water has flowed over congress in Washington we're in for it at the next legislature and a contest it will be.

That's why the election of the coming year will mean a "wet" and "dry" force in the field, and that's why prohibition in 1919 will be the biggest problem before Missouri.

Just now the "Old Guard" is looking for a leader, and he will have to be a political Napoleon to stem the tide. The drys have so many leaders that they're stepping on each other.

New American movements military wrist watches just received today. $10 and up. Kuchs Bros.

QUITMAN CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Exercises Will be Held Monday Night at the Methodist Church

The following Christmas program will be rendered at the Quitman M. E. church on Monday night, December 24, at 8 p. m.:

Instrumental solo, Mary Bailey; song, choir; scripture reading, superintendent; prayer; song, school; recitation, Murell Browning; recitation, John Hart; song, Loreen Browning; recitation, Ethelbert Wright; exercise, Mrs. Hart's class; recitation, Helen Young; solo and chorus, Mary Bailey; recitation, Wilbur Frankum; recitation, Wilma Frankum; recitation, Edna F. Montgomery; song, Mary Bailey's class; exercise, Pauline Smith's class; recitation, Bernice Strauge; recitation, Clural Hart; instrumental duet; recitation, Roberta Young; recitation, Mildred Beightol; collection, "Onward Christian Soldiers"; recitation, Virginia Winslow; recitation, Margie Ellsworth; recitation, Locie Winslow; song, choir; recitation, Virginia Wright; "Golden Stairs"; recitation, Ralph Bennett; recitation, Grant Strauge; song, Virginia Wright; recitation, Hazel Anderson; song, Mary Brook's class; song, choir.

Progressive Farmers' Club.

The Progressive Farmers' Club, which was organized within the past year, met last Tuesday and elected their officers for the coming year. The club now has fifty members and is in a fine healthy condition.

W. D. Burns was re-elected president and Pete Hansen, vice president, with a unanimous vote. L. L. Moore, who has been the successful secretary-treasurer of the club, will move to a farm north of Maitland in the spring, so Ed Crane was put in his place by unanimous vote. These three, with two others—George Drydale and Andy Sutton—constitute the executive committee of the club for the next year. The marketing committee is composed of Dwight Davis, W. M. Snyder and W. F. Hartman.

According to a report of the secretary, eleven cars of coal and three cars of feed were brought in by the club, a few cars of coal going to the Central Club, and these purchases made the clubs a saving of $1,780.35 from the current prices. — Barnard Bulletin.

New American movements military wrist watches just received today. $10 and up. Kuchs Bros.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE—5c per bundle. Call at this office.

Not in the Trust

FOR CHRISTMAS — Give
Peggy Best Hand Made
The Party Hand Made
Little Devil, or
Minco Cigars.
Maryville's Oldest Factory—

HANSEN'S

Reduced prices on cigars to soldiers.

Hustling

We don't sit around and pay any price that one firm asks. We hustle around to buy—we hustle around to sell. We have an experienced man that does our buying—that's one reason why the people in Maryville and vicinity save anywhere from 5c to 15c per lb when they patronize—

The Packer's Market Co.

About the quality of meats we handle — we surely must carry the BEST. If we didn't our business would be on the DECREASE instead of INCREASING.

About the Service—Our meat is not handled by delivery boys nor throwed around in a delivery wagon. What better service can anyone give than when it is taken home by the purchasers who see what they buy?

And the price—we are open to competition. Let our competitors price their meats WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF REASON.

Saturday Specials

Prime rib roasts, lb	16c	Sliced liver, lb	15c
Fancy native boneless roasts, lb	22½c	Swiss steaks, lb	22½c
Fresh beef tongues, lb	22½c	Veals roasts, lb	17½c
Pork brains, lb	15c	Fresh beef hearts, lb	16c
Lamb legs, lb	25c	Pig's feet, per dozen	40c
Whole pork shoulders, lb	25c	Lamb roasts, lb	20c
		Pork chops, lb	30c
		Choice cuts steaks, lb	17½c

We want Turkeys, Chickens, Ducks, Geese—
Highest Prices Paid.

No. smoked hams lb	27½c	Smoked bacon squares, lb	35c
Salt pork, lb	27½c	Sliced bacon, lb	45c
Pig tails, lb	17½c	Neck bones, lb	10c
Fresh side pork, lb	32½c	Pork melts, lb	9½c

OTHER SPECIAL PRICES.

Remember Us for Your Christmas Order for Oysters.

NEED MEN IN MARINE CORPS

Registered Men May Enlist But Must Secure Certificate From Local Draft Boards

On and after December 15 registered men may enlist in the Marine Corps, but in order to do so they must obtain a certificate from their local boards that they will not be needed to fill the current quota of their board. Married men may be accepted, providing the wife give her written consent.

The Marine Corps is in need of men. The marines offer "two-in-one service," both on land and sea. Since the declaration of war the opportunities for promotion, education, travel, etc., are greater than ever before.

Any postmaster is authorized to accept applications for enlistment in the Marine Corps, and each man accepte dat the "postmaster station" is furnished transportation to the nearest marine recruiting station—Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Nebr., or St. Louis, Mo.

Cecil R. Smith of Company H, 64th Infantry, Fort Bliss, Texas, who has been spending a few days with his father, Fred W. Smith, of 1401 East Second sereet, will leave tonight for camp.

Misses Gladys and Zoa McHenry of St. Joseph arrived in Maryville last night to visit with their aunts, Mrs. H. D. Snyder and Mrs .R. C. Seal.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Heflin of Ravenwood announce the birth of a son, William Earl, Jr., born Saturday, December 15.

Making Over a Boob.

Say, just put me down for another,
Though I've subscribed before;
And I'll be clean-out grateful
If they jack up my tax some more.

As for paying higher prices
For things to eat and wear,
Or giving to units and hut funds—
S-sh! nothing can make me care!

'Cause ma today got a letter
From Sonny (the lad's in camp)
And in it came a picture—
Good looking? O, the young scamp

Why, there he stands in his khaki,
And his regerler army hat,
With his gun held smart on his shoulder,
And him smiling, the cub, at that

You see, he slipped out and 'listed
With some chums from his college frat—
Spoiled fox trotters, mommers' darlings,
Auto speeders, useless, flat!

Ma, she named the heir "Llewelleyn,'
And she raised him a Fauntelroy
But, praise God, he's cut loose from the boob set,
And shows up an American boy!

Danger? Well, just let him face it—
If his granddad did, he can!
Uncle Sam may claim all I own, sir
For he's made our boy a man!

—Ella A. Fanning in Boston Globe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kaufman of Parnell announce the birth of a daughter Wednesday night.

L. C. Gooden and son, Harold, Troy Millikan and Reginald Culver of Parnell were among the out of town people in Maryville yesterday.

A Real Candy Shop

Fancy boxes Home Made Candies. Quality and Quantity at Reasonable price at—

NEW YORK CANDY KITCHEN.

A WHITE TREE

Why Not Have a Glistening Evergreen This Year?

A suggestion for an original trimming for the all-important tree comes from a traveler in Russia. Instead of a tree with colored ornaments, this scheme remains all in white. To carry it out requires white trimmings, as follows:

Asbestos snow.
White glass icicles.
Powdered mica snow.
Silver tinsel and silver thread.
Large white silver paper star about eight to ten inches in diameter.
Silver glass ornaments, particularly balls and small novelties.
Silver paper candy containers in form of animals, dolls, etc.
White candles in plain, inconspicuous holders.

The usual fir tree is the basis, but at once the trunk is carefully wrapped with the asbestos snow to make it appear white. This is also done part way

with the branches, to give the effect of a tree which has stood out in a good, old-fashioned snowstorm.

Mica is then sprinkled over this cotton to enhance the effect. Place the large star at the topmost branch of the tree. Next find the best branches for setting the candle holders on. To place candles effectively is quite an art in itself, and only the most prominent tips should be used to "point" the tree, as it were. After the candle holders are in place, suspend from each an "icicle" of glass, such as can be bought by the dozen.

Now begin the looping of the tree with the largest chains of silver balls, being careful to loop evenly, catching up each section on the branches in such a way as to emphasize the tips and get a symmetrical effect. Next fasten the small silver ornaments where they look best, filling out the tree and adding to the balanced effect.

Last take the strands of the silver thread (such as comes in packages) and, beginning at the star, let this "rain" pour down from the star and fling a misty cloak of silver all over

the tree. To do this it must be divided and not used thickly in one strand. The largest star at the top should be almost buried in the thread, the effect being to get it to resemble a star which "twinkles" or which is seen through misty light.

When finished the tree should look like a silvery, snowy fir tree standing in its own environment, but lit up and made resplendent by some inner Christmas glory. It is indeed a novelty and a soothing, peaceful tree of beauty, by which some of the overdressed and colorful trees suffer by comparison. Its whole success lies in the careful symmetry of the trimming and the use of small ornaments of similar size.

Brown Gravy.

To the drippings add a tablespoonful flour; mix well and add two cupfuls of cold water or enough water to make two cupfuls of gravy, a tablespoonful caramel and seasoning to taste; serve with a goose or a duckling.

Society and Clubland

BY MISS LUTA MOODY
Hanamo 42. Farmers 114

Will Meet Tonight.

The Evening Auxiliary of the Red Cross Chapter will meet at 7 o'clock tonight at the Red Cross rooms. A large attendance is desired.

Mowry W. W. W.

The Mowry W. W. W. Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Will Noakes, with Mrs. Shell Garten as leader. Fourteen members responded to roll call by giving Christmas quotations. A Christmas program was given after which a gift exchange was held. Light refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. George Byers and Mrs. Otis Casey. Shristmas colors were used in decorating.

Woodcutting Yesterday.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. U. S. Gaddy gathered yesterday at her home near Graham and the men spent the day cutting wood, while the women prepared a delicious dinner for the workers. Those present were. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lorance, Mr. and Mrs. Walter McGinness, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Croy of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. George Herron, Mrs. John Lorance, Mrs. Lee Smock, Harry Wright, Earl Lorance, Lewis Daise, Thorn and Lester Acklin, Amos Hutchison, Clay Holliday, Jesse Campbell, George Gaddy, and Charley Groves.

Informal Dance.

At an informal dance given Wednesday night at the Elks Club rooms the following attended: Misses Marjorie Wilfley, Ora Barmann, Anna Parle, Bess Scott, Katherine Carpenter, Georgia Evans, Marguerite Cummins, Vera Braden, Marie Murray, Clarence Vogt, Dennis Collins, Virgil Barron, Bud Rhoades, June Blagg, Russell Burris, Clarence Cook, Harvey Jenks, George Sillers, Ed Schumacher and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Collins.

I. I. Club Meets.

The I. I. Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Allen Haller. During the business meeting it was decided to take up the Red Cross work. After the business session a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess. The members present were: Mrs. Brice Hall, Mrs. Al Taylor, Mrs. Elihu Shell, Mrs. Ed Babb, Mrs. Lon Hughes, Mrs. Byron Kinsley and daughter, Frances, Mrs. Claude Shell, Mrs. Ed Seipel, Mrs. Will Osborn, Mrs. Clarence Duncan, Miss Lyda Onstott, Miss Leta Babb. The visitors were: Mrs. Ernest McDowell and Miss Aurilla Burris of Red Oak, Ia. The nex tmeeting will be with Mrs. Elihu Shell, January 2.

Social Hour Club Elects Officers.

The Social Hour Club held its semi-annual election of officers at the home of Mrs. Emmett Gray Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. J. F. Hanna was re-elected as president; Mrs. Omar Strong, vice president; Miss Tressie King, secretary; Mrs. Ernest Stafford, organist; and Mrs. J. L. Hanna, corresponding secretary and treasurer. During the business part of the meeting an invitation to join the club was extended to and accepted by Mrs. Rich Spurgin, Mrs. Edgar Houston and Mrs. Charles Fakes. A reading was given by Miss Tressie King which was very much enjoyed by the club. After the business hour, refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Annice Scott and Miss Amanda Dalrymple. Roll call was answered with the names of favorite birds. At the meeting were Mrs. C. A. Loch, Mrs. Rich Spurgin, Mrs. Chas. Fakes, Mrs. Theodore Gray, Mrs. Will Spangler, Mrs. J. F. Hanna, Mrs. Capels Wilson, Mrs. Edgar Houston, Mrs. Omar Strong, Mrs. W. P. Scott, Mrs. Ernest Stafford, Miss Tressie King, Miss Annice Scott, Miss Amanda Dalrymple, Mrs. J. L. Hanna, and the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Charles Fakes, January 2.

For Wyoming Guest.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hopper entertained at 6 o'clock dinner last night in honor of Mrs. John Anderson of Chugwater, Wyo. Covers were laid for: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson, Mrs. John Anderson and the host and hostess.

Lend-a-Hand Circle.

The Lend-a-Hand Circle met Wednesday, Decemb 19, with Mrs. Marietta Slawson with all members but one, Mrs. Bessie King, present. One visitor, Charles Sweet, of Milwaukee, Wis., who is the guest of Mrs. Slawson, was also present. The winter sessions will be of a social nature and it was decided that a free will offering should not be taken, nor refreshments be served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Bessie King, January 16.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Alderman-Yehle Dry Goods Co.

WEST THIRD STREET, MARYVILLE, MO.

The Store of the Christmas Spirit

Time is Short

Do you realize that there are but two shopping days left before Christmas?

Well, anyway, whether you realize it or not, Christmas is right here and we are sure that you do not want to be caught napping—Shop now and save yourself disappointment.

This store—"the real store of the Christmas Spirit," is literally filled with gift things, from the toy department in the basement to the very front door.

Below we list a few of the gift things that would please any woman:

Community Silverware

Real Christmas spirit is shown in giving Community Silverware. This famous plate silverware has been tested and proven to be one of the best on the market. The notable series of designs have become very popular throughout the country and we have on dsplay large assortments of the Patrician, Georgian Sheraton, Louis XVI., Exeter, La Rose, Vernon, Primrose, Monroe and Bridal Wreath patterns.

	Community Plate 50 yr. Guarantee	Reliance Plate 25 yr. Guarantee	Par Plate 10 yr. Guarantee
Hollow handle knife, set of six	$7.75	$6.00	
Hollow handle fruit knives, set of six	7.25	5.50	
Modeled handle knives, set of six	5.00	2.75	$2.75
Modeled handle forks, set of six	6.00	3.00	2.00
Salad forks, set of six	5.50	3.60	2.50
Cold meat forks, each	1.75	1.00	.75
Table spoons, set of six	6.00	3.50	2.25
Tea Spoons, set of six	3.00	1.75	1.25
Dessert Spoons	5.50		2.00
Bouillon Spoons, set of six	5.25	3.00	2.25
Berry Spoons, each	2.50	1.50	1.25
Sugar Shells, each	1.00	.75	.50
Cream Ladles, each	1.50	1.00	.75
Gravy Ladles, each	2.00	1.40	1.00
Sup Ladles, each	3.50	2.25	1.50

And Many Other Items in Proportion.

Cut Glass

Our stock of Cut Glass offers a wonderful variety of selection. And who would not appreciate a gift of cut glass?

Cut glass bud vases	50c, 69c, 75c	Cut glass comports, each	$2 to $5
Individual Salts	25c	Cut glass vases	$1.00 to $5.00
Tooth Pick Holders	25c	Baskets	$2.00 to $5.00
Salt and Pepper Sets	25c and 50c	Ice tea glasses, set of six	$2.50
Cut glass nut sets	$2.50	Water glasses, set of 6	$2.50 to $4
Creamer and sugar sets	$1.50 to $6	Perfume bottles	$4.00 to $5.00
Stem water glasses, set of 6	$2.50	Puff boxes	$2.50 to $4.00
Mayonnaise Jars	$3.00 and $3.50	Candle sticks, pair	$1.00 to $5.00
Sherbet glasses, set of six	$2.25	Candelabra	$10.00
Cut glass bowls, each	$2.25 to $4.00	Cut glass Elec. lamps	$10 to $12.50
Celery trays	$3.00 to $6.50	Sandwich trays	$2.50 to $3.00

White Ivory

Get some White Ivory for Mother, Wife, Sister or Sweetheart. Most of the girls and women are collecting sets of White Ivory and would appreciate some of the various pieces to match their set. Here is a partial list of the items here assembled:

DUBARRY AND PLAIN—		Dressing combs	25c to $1.50
Hair brushes, each	$2.50 to $5.00	Nail buffers	50c to $1.75
Hand mirrors	$3.00 to $7.50	Ivory trays ,each	25c to $4.00
Military brushes per pair	$4 to $5	Mantle Clocks	$1.25 to $7.50
Cloth brushes, each	$1.50 to $4.00	Jewel boxes	75c to $5.00
Puff boxes and hair receivers, each	$1.25 to $2.75	Candle Sticks	50c to 75c
Soap boxes	25c to 50c	Napkins rings, each	25c
		Picture frames	25c to $1.50

Open Nights Until Christmas

For the convenience of Christmas shoppers, this store will remain open tonight, Saturday and Monday nights. Take advantage of this opportunity to complete your shopping.

Victrolas Players

A present for the whole family, including Dad. One that will last a lifetime, and give pleasure every day. And we try to make this an easy and reliable place to buy.

Landon Music Company

North Main Street

Pianos Records

MOVIE MEN HAVE WORRIES

It's Hard to Tell, They Say, What Kind of Picture Will Please the Average Crowd

"You know about as well as I do what kind of motion pictures the public likes," said Albert Kuchs, manager of the Empire theatre, when asked to talk on the subject of local likes and dislikes in respect to the movies. "The manager cannot tell. He has no infallible knowledge on the subject. The best he can do is to try and get a picture that will please a fairly representative crowd."

That evidently means a picture that will satisfy the desires of mother, father, little Willie and his bigger brothers and sisters. But then one cannot meet the demands and please the tastes of everyone.

Public Taste Changes.

The public taste in moving pictures is fickle. Gone are the days of the melodramatic wild west picture, crammed with hair-breadth escapes, fortunes made and lost overnight and rough gambling and drinking bouts staged in the old miner's shack known as the "Yellow Dog Saloon." Gone, too, is the craze fo. the vampire type of picture so popular a couple of seasons ago; and even the nerve-racking exploit and episode serials that have sent thousands of movie fans home at nights to go through the nightmare of those perilous scenes all over again are fast disappearing.

People now demand a better more worth-while type of picture, says the manager. Especially is this true of a college community such as Maryville. The favorite variety here at present is the good comedy-drama, but these films are hard to procure, as the demand is becoming so great. Good comedies of the one reel type are always desirable; people never see mto tire of being amused. The actors, too, must b econsidered in the choosing of right pictures. Some of them, as Douglas Fairbanks, Marguerite Clark and Mary Pickford, are perennial attractions and their names draw large audiences.

There has been a marked tendency in the local picture shows this year to show movies that feature war stories and scenes. Travelogues are always fairly well received, and now, perhaps, more than ever before, because of the terribl echanges effected by the war and because of the restrictions placed upon travel in other countries. The picture shows afford the best substitute for the real thing.

But the movie managers have other troubles. Theirs, too, are the worries of the box office man. Few realize that in addition to the fixed war tax of $100 which every picture show manager in the United States pays annually to the government they must also pay a tax of fifteen cents on each reel shown, which amounts to about $5.40 each week. More than that, the managers turn over to Uncle Sam all the extra pennies they take in on the prices of admission, and it is no little trouble to keep track of them and make change correctly and with speed when there is a long and impatient line waiting in the lobby.

"Find out what the public likes and then give it to them," sounds easy; but upon the accomplishmen of this feat depends the ultimate success of the manager and his show—and it's not so easy. Ask him.

Mrs. Roy Conrad and Mrs. Lawrence Wilcox of Parnell were shopping in Maryville yesterday.

For the convenience of our customers, we enumerate herewith a list of articles essentially useful and appropriate for Christmas giving. We shall be glad for you to call and see these goods.

—Bicycles	—Community Silverware	—Tea and Coffee Pots
—Razor Strops	—Aluminum Ware	—Nut Picks and Crackers
—Flash Lights	—Bean Pots	—Percolators
—Razors	—Casseroles	—Air Rifles
—Serving Trays	—Vacuum Bottles	—Ice Skates
—Chafing Dishes	—Shaving Brushes	—Roller Skates
—Pocket Knives	—Turkey Roasters	—Sleds
—Guns and Rifles	—Knives and Forks	—Pyrex Ware
—Safety Razors	—Toasters	—Granite Ware
—Carving Sets		

Maryville's Complete Hardware Store.

Garrett Hardware Co.

ENGLAND & SAWYERS, Prop.

South Side Square

This Is the Giver's Store.

Here's to Your Christmas Dinner!

Cranberry and Orange Appetizer
Chicken Broth
Celery
Chicken en Casserole
Cranberry Sauce
Sweet Potatoes a la Maryland
Apple and Celery Salad
Neufchatel Cheese, Pear Shapes
Toasted Crackers
Sultana Roll
Coffee

Cranberry and Orange Appetizer.

Put half a cupful of sugar and a cupful of water on and boil five minutes. Add half a cupful of cranberry sauce and cool. Chip the oranges very fine. Pour into ice cream glass or parfait glass and pour over the cranberries. This must be served very cold. Cranberries are taken from the cranberry sauce.

Chicken en Casserole.

Three and a half pounds of stewing chicken, a cupful and a half of cut carrot, a cupful of cut celery, a cupful of cut onion, two tablespoonfuls of cut parsley, a tablespoonful of drippings, a tablespoonful of flour, a teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of pepper and a dash of paprika. Clean the chicken the same as for stewing. The backbone, wing tips, neck and giblets are used for soup. The drumsticks, thighs and breast (cut in two pieces) are put in iron pan with drippings and seared on both sides. Put half the onion and half the carrot in the bottom of the casserole, then a layer of the seared chicken, then the remainder of the vegetables, salt, pepper and paprika and two cupfuls of boiling water. Cover and put in a moderate oven two and a half to three hours. Do not try to cook a young chicken like this. Fowls are best cooked in this way. Mix the flour with a little cold water and add to the gravy just before serving. Sprinkle with chopped parsley.

Cranberry Sauce.

Wash and pick over a quart of cranberries and put in agate saucepan with two cupfuls of cold water. As soon as

they come to a boil mash and add two cupfuls of sugar. Boil for a minute. Strain through wire strainer and put in glass bowl.

Sweet Potatoes a la Maryland.

Wash and boil a quarter peck of even sized sweet potatoes until nearly tender; when cool, skin and cut in half lengthwise. Put in bakepan which has been brushed with one teaspoonful drippings; lay on the potatoes, cut side down; sprinkle with salt, pepper and sugar; bake in hot oven until light brown.

Neufchatel Cheese, Pear Shape.

Mix two Neufchatel cheeses with a little cold milk, one-fourth tenspoonful salt, a dash of white pepper and a dash of paprika. Form into pear shapes, place a clove at top to form the stem and press in a clove to form the blossom. Cover the pears with paprika. Serve on a cracker on a cheese and cracker plate.

Roast Shoat.

A shoat is a young pig. How to prepare it: Have the eyes and toes removed, the rind scored in one-inch cuts, liver and heart removed. Wash the outside; the inside is wiped with a piece of damp cheesecloth. Put a piece of corncob in the mouth before roasting. Season the inside with pepper and salt by rubbing it in. Put the pig in a pan so that it will sit on its feet; brace it with four handleless cups; put in hot oven until well seared; then baste with two cupfuls of cold water and reduce the heat. Roast two and one-half to three hours, basting frequently. Remove from pan, place on center of platter, put cranberries in the eyes and a small red apple in the mouth. Serve on bed of watercress or cooked kale.

Sweet Cider Sherbet.

Four cupfuls of cider, one tablespoonful of mixed whole spices, one cupful of brown sugar, one and one-half cupfuls of water.

Boil the spices in the one and one-half cupfuls of water ten minutes; then add the sugar. Boil five minutes. Strain when cold; add to the cider and freeze same as ice cream, only it must not be frozen hard, but must be like a punch. This is very attractive if served in red apples which have been hollowed out and small pieces cut from the bottoms, so they sit flat on plate with doily under it.

Sensible Christmas Gift *for* Your Children.

Nowadays with reasons for conservation, there's double cause for you to think seriously of what constitutes the sensible Christmas present. Especially true is that when it comes to the problem of the kiddies. This year the youngsters can "do their bit" easiest by learning to save—to save the greatest of all the nation's resources—money.

You can start them right. Open a savings account for your boys and girls, tell them just what it means, show them how to keep the account growing and you will have given them a gift that the passing of years will only make the better. Yes, give them a bank account of their own. They will never forget it.

We are glad to serve the children. We try to make them feel right at home; encourage them to come here often, alone or with their parents. Start a savings account for sister and sonny—teach them the value of money—it's the best way, by far, to express the Christmas spirit of love and gift giving. We urge you to make this a merry, merry Christmas for the youngsters.

Real Estate Bank

OFFICERS:

George B. Baker President. Edward E. Williams, Cashier.
Burt M. Rowley, Assistant Cashier.

"Tasty" Gifts.

Most country women are good cooks and this year, above all others, kitchen delicacies are keenly appreciated both because of the high prices of food and because most of us have been practicing economy on the table on ordinary occasions as a patriotic duty. All kinds of rich cakes that will not grow stale in a few days and can stand packing, such as fruit, pound, rice, spice, or devil cake, make most acceptable gifts, and so do cans or small jars of plum pudding and home-made pies. A dozen choice apples from your own orchard, winter pears, jars of preserves, glasses—or, better still, patent pasteboard containers—filled with jelly or jam will do much to make complete the Christmas dinner of your city friends, though they may be taken for granted in your own home. They can be sent very reasonably either by parcel post or express and will arrive in good condition if properly packed.—Farm Life.

PUBLIC SALE

Having sold my farm, I will sell at the farm 6½ miles northwest of Maryville, 2 miles south of Wilcox, on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

the following property—

88 HEAD OF STOCK

11 Head of Horses and Mares — 1 black mare 10 years old, weighs 1450; 1 brown horse 6 years old, weighs 1350; 2 4 year old mares, weigh about 1300, one of them in foal to Mr. Golding's black horse; 1 mare 2 years old; 1 black mare 7 years old, weighs 1100, a good single driver; 1 smooth mouth sorrel horse; 1 pair smooth mouth mares, weigh 1350; 1 black horse, smooth mouth, weighs 1300; 1 bay mare, smooth mouth, weighs 1100.

Cattle—6 milch cows, some will freshen soon; 2 good 2 year old Shorthorn heifers; 3 spring calves; 1 yearling Shorthorn bull.

Hogs—1 thoroughbred Hampshire male hog; 14 brood sows, all bred; some stock hogs; 45 fall shoats. Hogs all immuned from chelera.

Hay and Grain—1,000 bushels of good corn; 15 tons hay; 4 tons good alfalfa in stack; 40 acres stalk field; 15 shocks fodder.

Implements—2 wagons, 1 low wheel wagon; 2 cultivators; 1 wheat drill; 1 mowing machine; 1 hay rake; 1 harrow; 1 lister; 1 Campbell corn drill; 2 buggies; 1 14-inch plow; 1 16x16 sulky plow; 1 scraper; 2 sets work harness, 2 sets single harness; 1 corn sheller; 1 steel tank; 1 50-gallon gas tank; 1 DeLaval cream separator.

Household and Kitchen Furniture—1 Majestic range, in good shape; 2 wood heaters; 1 china closet; 1 ice chest; 2 dining tables; 1 library table; 1 Hamilton piano, good as new; 1 rug, 11x12; 1 Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine; bed steads, springs, dressers and chairs, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Chickens and Geese—6 dozen young Brown Leghorn hens, good stuff; 6 dozen Reds and Plymouth Rock hens, young ones; 10 bushels Early Ohio potatoes.

Terms—All sums under $10 cash. On sums over $10 a credit of 3, 6 or 9 months, bearing 8% interest on bankable note. Nothing to be removed until terms of sale are complied with. Lunch by ladies of Wesley Chapel.

R. P. Hosmer, Auct.
Jos. Jackson Jr., Clerk.

R. T. Noakes

Public Sale

Having decided to quit farming, I will sell at the Stauble farm, 5 miles east and ½ mile north of Maryville, on

Wednesday, December 26

Commencing at 10 o'clock sharp, the following property, to-wit:

12 Head of Horses and Mules—Black mare, 5 years old, wt. 1300; gray mare, 6 years old, wt. 1100; bay mare 10 years old, wt. 1350; pair black horses 3 and 4 years old, wt. about 1200; 3 three year old colts; 2 yearling colts; 3 year old mule; 2 year old mare mule.

18 Head of Cattle—6 cows, all to b fresh early, 2 giving milk now; yearling heifer; 11 spring calves.

46 Head of Hogs—8 sows with pigs; 38 head of stock hogs, if not sold before day of sale.

Hay and Grain—800 or 900 bushels of corn, 75 bushels of oats, 12 tons of hay, 40 acres of stalk field.

Implements—Sulky plow, Rock Island disc, New Century cultivator, walking plow, lister and drill, 3-section harrow, 2 wagons, buggy, bobsled, 2 sets of work harness, 2 sets of buggy harness, 1 set of single harness and other articles too numerous to mention.

6 dozen Barred Rock hens; household goods, furniture, dining table and chairs, 2 rocking chairs, Blue Ribbon sewing machine, bed sanitary cot, heating stove, cook stove, both new, 20 yards linoleum, ingrain carpet.

Old Trusty incubator, about 10 bushels potatoes.

Terms—All sums of $10 or under, cash; over that amount 3, 6 or 9 months time will be given, purchaser giving bankable note bearing 8 per cent interest from date, no property to be removed until terms are complied with. Lunch by ladies of Merry Minglers Club.

R. P. Hosmer, Auct.
S. H. Kemp, Clerk.

A. P. Henggeler

Give Basford's Cigars for Christmas

MARTELLUS—
In boxes of 25 specially wrapped for Christmas Gift.

BASFORD'S HAND MADE—
In tin box of 25.....$1.50

BASFORD'S PANETELAS—
Per box of 50.....$2.25

LITTLE MARTELLUS—
50 cigars in box.....$2.25

For Sale at All Dealers

Regular preaching services at the Gaynor City Christian church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and also at 7 o'clock in the evening. All are cordially invited to attend.
W. H. RUST, Pastor.

Mrs. F. W. White left yesterday for St. Louis where she will spend Christmas with her parents.

A Happy Christmas

You'll have a Happy Christmas this year and many more to come, if you get a new

THE MALLEABLE RANGE
MADE IN SOUTH BEND
or an
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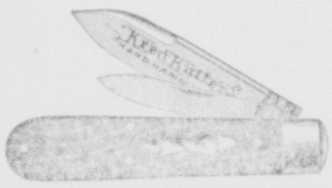


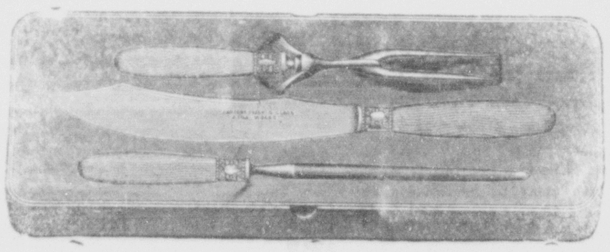
Suggestions

—Skates —Sleds
—Wagons —Casseroles
—Safety Razors —Pocket Knives
—Plated Ware —Percolators
—Carving Sets —Cutlery

Plated Ware
Aluminum Ware
Pyrex Ware

All kinds of household articles. Dozens of items too numerous to mention.

Come in now and make your selections.



HUDSON & WELCH
NORTH SIDE HARDWARE MEN
THE STORE WITH RIGHT PRICES

Give Flowers for Christmas

There is nothing so universally acceptable at Christmas as Beautiful Flowers. They hold all the more intimate sentiments of Yuletide and express the giver's personality as no other gift.

Fresh Cut Poinsettas, Roses of all kinds, Carnations, Lilies, Sweet Peas, Narcissus, Stevia, etc. Choice Potted Blooming Poinsettas, Cyclamen and Begonias, Foliages and Ferns.

Cut Flowers for Christmas are made up of any one of these flowers or a combination of several kinds with appropriate greens or Stevia in boxes from **$1.00 up to $3.00 and $5.00.** Greens is included with all orders of Cut Flowers and all Cut Flower orders for less than $1.00 are carefully put up in paper wrapper. If wanted boxed, add 5c to 10c for box. Blooming Plants run from the smaller 40c and 50c Poinsettas to the larger size Poinsettas, Clycamen and Begonias from $1.00 to $1.50 and $2.00 each. These prices include pot cover to match plants.

Wreath of all kinds and selected Holly, Boxwood, Smilax, etc., for the Christmas decorations. If impossible to make personal selection, phone or write us and your order, whether large or small, will receive our usual prompt and careful attention in selection and as to your card, packing and delivery.

The Engelmann Greenhouses

Phones 17 1001 South Main Street.

Hints For Your Christmas Menu

Pineapple Appetizer
Clear Tomato Soup
Celery
Roast Duck With Potato Filling and Brown Gravy
Apple Sauce
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Escaloped Onions or Other Vegetable
Fruit Salad
Charlotte Russe
Coffee
Cream Mints

Pineapple Appetizer.

Pare and grate half a pineapple and set in ice cold place until ready to use. Add two tablespoonfuls sugar to the pineapple and serve in cocktail glasses with a little shaved ice. Garnish with a half of maraschino cherry.

Roast Duck With Potato Filling and Brown Gravy.

Clean the duck same as any other fowl and fill with potato filling made as follows: Three cupfuls mashed potatoes, one cupful breadcrumbs, one teaspoonful of salt, one and one-half teaspoonful grated nutmeg, one-eighth teaspoonful paprika, two tablespoonfuls poultry seasoning, one tablespoonful of chopped celery top, two tablespoonfuls bacon drippings, three tablespoonfuls flour.

Escaloped Onions.

One quart of onions, one tablespoonful butter, one tablespoonful flour, one cupful milk, one and one-half teaspoonful salt, dash white pepper, one-half cupful breadcrumbs.

Put onions into pan of cold water, peel and cut into quarter-inch rings. Put into saucepan of boiling water and boil ten minutes or until tender.

Drain, saving stock for the tomato soup. Brush bake dish with butter; sprinkle with breadcrumbs; put in onions, pour over the cream sauce, cover with breadcrumbs and bake in hot oven until light brown.

Sauce—Melt the butter, add flour and stir until smooth; add milk slowly, stirring constantly until it is smooth and creamy; add salt and pepper and boil two minutes.

Tomato Stars on Lettuce.

Four cupfuls strained tomatoes, one teaspoonful finely cut onion, one-half teaspoonful salt, two tablespoonfuls granulated gelatin, one teaspoonful sugar, a dash white pepper, a dash paprika.

Put the tomatoes and onion in saucepan; boil ten minutes; add the seasoning and strain through fine strainer. Soak the gelatin in two tablespoonfuls cold water and add to the hot strained tomatoes; stir until dissolved. Pour out on plate or platter which has been rinsed with cold water. When firm cut into small stars with fancy cutter. Put lettuce leaf on salad plate, lay the small stars on and serve with the French dressing.

Frozen Apricots.

A can of apricots a quart of water, a cupful of sugar, a tablespoonful lemon juice. Mash the apricots through colander or strainer. Add water and sugar. Pack ice cream can with three parts ice and one part salt; then put mixture in. Let stand five minutes; then turn until stiff.

Inexpensive Fruit Cake.

This Southern recipe for cake is made without eggs, which is a decided advantage at the present prices. Mix together one cupful of light brown sugar, molasses and butter, a pinch of salt, heaping teaspoonful each of cinnamon, cloves and ginger, half a nutmeg grated, one teaspoonful of lemon juice and a teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a little hot water. Add two cupfuls of floured raisins, a cupful of currants, quarter cupful of citron cut in small pieces and the same quantity of chopped almonds. Mix all together thoroughly and add one cupful of boiling water and then add flour enough to make it so stiff that it will hold the mixing spoon upright and bake in a moderate oven for one hour.

A VIGILANCE CORPS

DEFENSE BOARD ASKS AID OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

TO CURB ALIEN ENEMIES

Citizens Are Urged to Organize to Put An End to German Propaganda and Enemy Activities

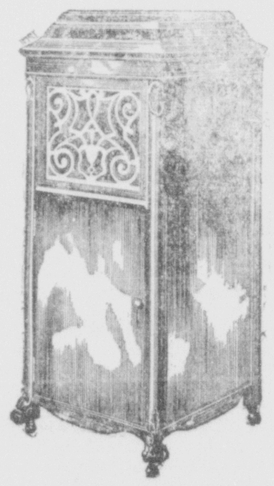
Mayor A. S. Robey today made public a request received from Richard M. Hurd, chairman of the board of trustees of the American Defense Society, urging citizens here to organize a local vigilance corps for the purpose of aiding the government in putting an end to German propaganda and enemy activity which has been responsible for fires, ammunition plant explosions, sabotage, food scares and other attempts to damage the morale of the American people.

"Recent events in this country make it plain that the German method of propaganda which has been so effective in Russia and Italy is now being attempted in this country with an alarming degree of success," according to the appeal to Americans now being issued by the American Defense Society. "German propaganda has long been supplied to our troops in the national encampments. The shipbuilding program is being interfered with by German-inspired strikes. Germans are directing the hoarding of food supplies to an extent that panics have already been prevalent in the leading cities. Newspapers are giving daily reports of fires in ammunition plants and grain depots and the country is now on the verge of an even greater calamity in the shape of a railroad strike of unprecedented extent which threatens to cripple our national industry."

The far-reaching need of the local vigilance corps can readily be seen when it is known that in this country alone there are today several million alien enemies representing Germany, Austria, Bulgaria, Turkey and other countries sympathetic or allied with the Prussian autocracy. Almost without exception these enemies are free to go about as they see fit, and while the government has done much toward tightening the censorship of mails and cables, nevertheless there are numberless channels by which these enemies are in touch with the directing genius of German propaganda in Berlin.

If Americans mean to stand by the men at the front, whose lives are already being sacrificed, and to stand by their government, the opportunity is offered in the additional service they can give to this work of the American Defense Society.

An Edison Phonograph— The Superb Gift



"How the old folks would enjoy it. They would sit all night and listen." And the children—it will teach them to appreciate the highest quality of music. The New Edison is a musical education for the whole family, reproducing exactly the tones of the greatest artists in their most masterly selections.

THE NEW MIRACLE

The common phrase used to express contempt for a vocalist, "He's got a voice like a talking machine," discloses the final verdict of the public, after thirty years of listening, on the subject of "talking machines." Their Day Is Past. The public demand has been met.

Mr. Edison has again touched the art with the rod of his genius and behold, a miracle.

THE NEW EDISON

A phonograph which actually re-creates music, one with no needles to change and unbreakable records.

Ask for FREE demonstration.

Koch Pharmacy
North Side Square.
Licensed Dealer.

Merchandise Sold Under a Money Back Guarantee Must Possess Real Merit.

Money talks. The housewife should listen only to the claims of manufacturers who back their assertions with a money back guarantee. I have found in my years of Domestic Science work that manufacturers of meritorious products employ the money-back-if-not-satisfied policy of merchandising. Such manufacturers are deserving of housewives' patronage—and usually *get it.*

No matter how good a manufacturer may *say* his product is—if he lacks courage to offer a refund of purchase price, if buyer is not satisfied he displays a lack of *faith* in his goods. In such instances the purchaser assumes all risk—and there is *always* risk, when the maker of merchandise refuses to stand by his goods with a money back guarantee.

To make this point clear—consider the advertising of a certain brand of baking powder. The producers of this baking powder abolish the uncertainty of buyers getting full money's worth—as every can is sold under a clear cut guarantee of money-back-if-not-satisfied with bake day results.

Their advertisements state that their product is superior—they say that it is unfailing in results—pure in the can and in the food—and that it produces absolutely pure and wholesome bakings. Furthermore they assert that "You save when you buy it—and you save when you use it." The phrase is so familiar to the housewife, every one no doubt will recognize it as taken from a Calumet Baking Powder advertisement. But to get back to my subject—the importance of those printed words lies in the fact that the Calumet Baking Powder Co. put the proof before the housewife with positive bake day results. They invite her to buy Calumet on a money back trial basis. They demonstrate dependability *with* bake day results. They show her actual savings in *real* money. I have tested Calumet Baking Powder. The tests I conducted were far more exacting than could be made by the housewife and those tests have proved the truth of the Calumet Baking Powder Co.'s contentions. No housewife can afford to refuse so liberal a proposition. All should give Calumet a trial—and millions have done so. That it makes good its advertised promises is shown in the fact that housewives who put it to a test continue to use it.

Maude Marie Costello

NOTE—Miss Costello is already well known to most of the ladies of our city. She is of the Domestic Science Branch of the University of Chicago, a graduate of Lewis Institute, Supervisor of Domestic Science in Public Schools, Special Lecturer on Domestic Arts and Economy, Special Lecturer to the Women's Clubs.

We are publishing a series of her most important articles.

Among the out of town people in Maryville Thursday were: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hartman of Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Huston, Mr. and Mrs. James Gray of Clearmont, Mr. and Mrs. Will Mountjoy of Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell of Skidmore, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Adkins of Elmo, Mrs. Henry Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hackett and daughters, Mildred and Frances, of Burlington Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. James McClanahan of Guilford drove to St. Joseph yesterday.

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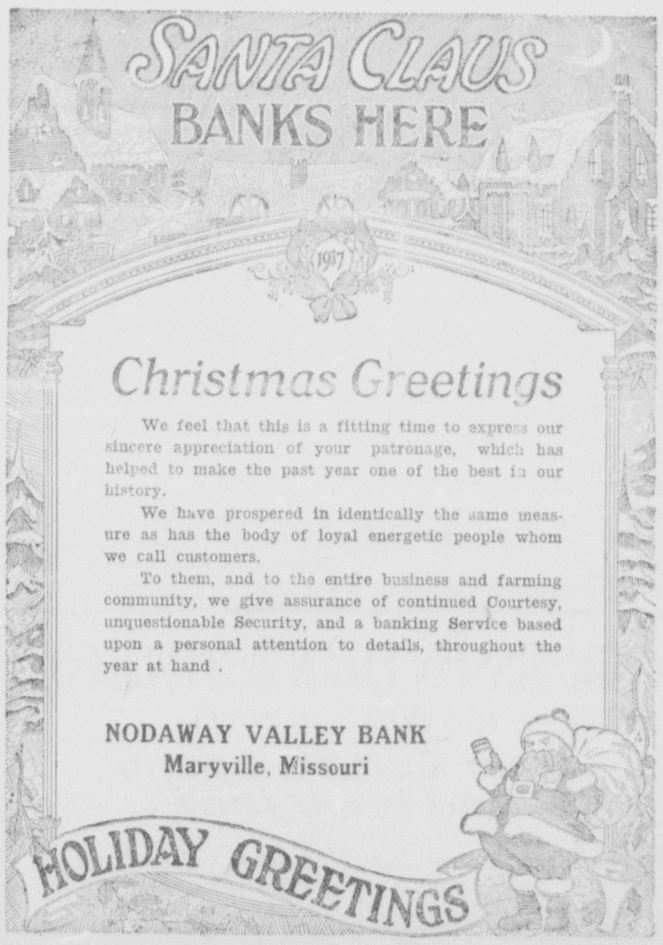
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Christmas Greetings
We feel that this is a fitting time to express our sincere appreciation of your patronage, which has helped to make the past year one of the best in our history.
We have prospered in identically the same measure as has the body of loyal energetic people whom we call customers.
To them, and to the entire business and farming community, we give assurance of continued Courtesy, unquestionable Security, and a banking Service based upon a personal attention to details, throughout the year at hand.
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Maryville, Missouri
HOLIDAY GREETINGS

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THAT BRING RESULTS

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Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions 1 cent per word each insertion.

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for cash with order. An extra charge of five cents will be made on all want ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Good list of prime real estate mortgage loans for disposal, in amounts to suit investors. See us for terms. Over Nodaway Valley Bank. The Sisson Loan & Title Co. 21tf

CAR Illinois coal on track at Wilcox. Phone 31-22. 20-22

FOR SALE—Good stalk field, some grass and plenty of water. C. W. Shinabargar, Hanamo phone 552F. 20-22

FOR SALE—Small size man's dark gray overcoat, good as new. Inquire 202 East First street. 20-22

FOR SALE — Thoroughbred Buff Orpington pullets and cockerels, good ones. Mrs. J. J. Pyles, Farmers phone 22-12. 20-22*

FOR SALE — Chester White boar, a year old, good individual and a number one breeder. Albert Carr, Maryville, Mo. Farmers phone 101; Hanamo 515Y. 20-22*

FOR SALE—Johnson Co. white seed corn in ear, (guaranteed to give satisfactory test, ready now. Call Farmers 41-15 or Hanamo 108. M. C. Thompson. 17tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—I have 120 acre well improved farm in Nodaway county 4 miles of two good railroad towns, 13 miles from Maryville. 8-room house, good barn, plenty of water, well fenced. Will sell for cash; or will take good dwelling house in Maryville for part pay. J. J. Heifner P. O. Box 262, Maryville, Mo. 17-22

FOR SALE—A few barrels choice Jonathan apples, sold by the barrel only. J. W. Ray, Hanamo phone 5222. 15-tf

FOR SALE—A few Plymouth Rock roosters at $1.00. Call Mrs. T. T Dickerson, Farmers 50-22. 19-21*

FOR SALE — Used upright piano, mahogany case, good as new. Bargain for some one. Landon Music Co. 19-26

FOR SALE—Two young red cows, just freshened; quiet and fair milkers; one has white faced bull calf, other no calf; $150 for both; will sell either. Elmer Fraser, both phones. 18-24

FOR SALE OR TRADE—2 pianos, one a Kimball; dining room set, 2 heaters, 2 cook stoves, dresser, chairs, beautiful ferns, household goods of all kinds, long distance phone, violin. Mrs. Highbarger, 417 E. First street. 21-24

WANTED

Telephone Operators

Alert, intelligent young women are wanted for telephone operators; paid while learning; excellent opportunity for advancement; good surroundings and working conditions.

Apply first floor, 112 West Third Street.

Hanamo Telephone Co.

WANTED—Good news correspondent at Burlington Junction, Hopkins, Skidmore, Barnard and Ravenwood. For further information write or call at Democrat-Forum office, Maryville, Mo.

WANTED—You to buy for father, brother or soldier friend a box of HANSEN'S CIGARS. 21-24

WANTED — Wood choppers, $1.25 and $1.50 per cord. Call A. B. Wells, Hanamo 552J. 17-22*

WANTED—The donation of sewing machine for Lasher Red Cross auxiliary. Ella O'Grady, Farmers 6-13. 21-24

FOR RENT

FOR RENT — 6-room modern house with garden lot, 803 North Walnut street. Call Hanamo 4558. 20-22*

FOR RENT — Large front rooms for light housekeeping, modern. References required. Hanamo 3041. 20-22

FOR RENT — Front rooms over South Side bakery, formerly occupied by U. S. Recruiting Station. Inquire of Kate Schenck. Hanamo 683. 30tf.

FOR RENT—60 acres for cash rent, possession now. Call at this office or address owner, 712 W. 33rd St., Kansas City, Mo. 19-21

FOR RENT — Two nicely furnished adjoining rooms, bed room and sitting room, private entrance, in modern home, private family; good location, five minutes from square; good meals close. Address A, Democrat-Forum office.

LOST

LOST — Watch between the public school and Felix & Cline Veterinary hospital on East Second. Reward. Return to Democrat-Forum office. 21-24

LOST—Tan purse containing small sum of money between shop and residence on Third St. Geo. Bramble. 19-21*

MISCELLANEOUS

PLUMBING—We make a specialty of installing modern plumbing in old houses and remodeling old plumbing; estimates free. Standard Plumbing Co., Hanamo 46.

NOT IN THE TRUST—A reduction on cigars for the soldier boys at Hansen's. 21-24

FOUND — Sum of money under $5. Owner may have same by stating amount and paying for this ad. Ed Brewer. 20-22

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Grain Market Future

Kansas City, Dec. 21.—CORN — December, $1.28; May, $1.24.

Kansas City Live Stock

Kansas City, Dec. 21.—CATTLE — Receipts, 2,000; nothing good.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,000; top, $16.50; bulk, $15.75 @ $16.40.

Give your soldier friend an American movement military wrist watch. New ones just received; $10 and up. Kuchs Bros.

Blacketer Child Dies.

William Henry, the two months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blacketer, who live south of Maryville, died Friday morning at nine o'clock. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the undertaking parlors o fthe Maryville Furniture Co. Interment will be in Miriam cemetery.

Among the out o ftown people in Maryville today were: Charles and Roy Bears, who were on their way from Clearmont to Camp Funston; Mrs. Maggie Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ware, W. M. Staples and son, Burt of Burlington Junction, Homer Hainline and Charles Bird of Quitman and Mr. and Mrs. James Neal and family of Pickering.

Mr. and Mrs. George Aley of Burlington Junction have had their house wired for electric lights, a Christmas gift from their children. Mr. and Mrs. Aley have lived together for over sixty-five years, and have not been apart for more than ten days at a time.

G .H. Holbrook of Clearmont was in Maryville today.

THE SISSON LOAN & TITLE CO.

MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

Real Estate, Loans and Insurance

Counting Rooms Over Nodaway Valley Bank
Best Terms Ever Offered—See Us.

CHRISTMAS DAINTIES

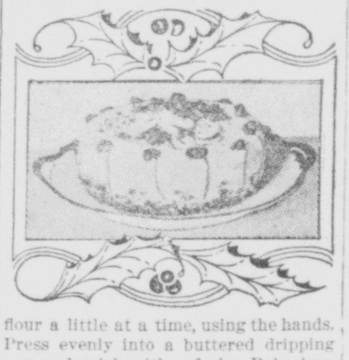
Several Trusty Recipes of Unusual "Pep."

Devonshire Sandwiches.—Cut graham bread (or entire wheat) in one-quarter inch slices. Spread sparingly with butter and then with orange marmalade. Put together in pairs, remove crusts and cut in fancy strips. Arrange on a plate covered with a doily. To offer variety the marmalade may sometimes be sprinkled with chopped pecan nut meats.

Note: If the hostess prefers to have the marmalade made at home here is a good recipe, and since it is delicious on buttered toast for the winter breakfast it is well to make a quantity at a time:

Orange Marmalade.—Nine oranges, four lemons, eight pounds sugar, four quarts water. Wipe fruit dry and cut crosswise in as thin slices as possible, removing seeds. Put into preserving kettle, add water, cover and let stand thirty-six hours. Place on range, bring to boiling point and let simmer two hours. Add sugar and let simmer an hour. Turn into sterilized jelly tumblers and cover each glass with a circular piece of paraffin paper, then with a large circular piece of letter paper, fastening paper securely over edge of glass with mucilage.

Scotch Five o'Clock Teas.—Work cup of butter, using a wooden spoon, until very creamy; then while beating constantly gradually add sugar. Work in



flour a little at a time, using the hands. Press evenly into a buttered dripping pan and prick with a fork. Bake in a moderate oven thirty minutes and cut into small squares or strips. Let stand ten minutes before removing from pan. Pile on a plate covered with a doily.

Sultana Sticks.—A cupful sugar, one-quarter cupful melted butter, an egg (unbeaten), two squares chocolate (melted), one-quarter teaspoonful vanilla, one-half cupful flour, one-quarter cupful English walnut meats, one-quarter cupful sultana raisins (cut in pieces). Mix ingredients in order given. Line a seven-inch square pan with paraffin paper. Spread mixture evenly in pan, using a case knife, and bake in a slow oven. As soon as taken from oven turn from pan, remove paper and cut cake in strips three and one-half inches by one inch, using a sharp knife. If these directions are not followed paper will cling to cake and it will be impossible to cut it into shapely pieces.

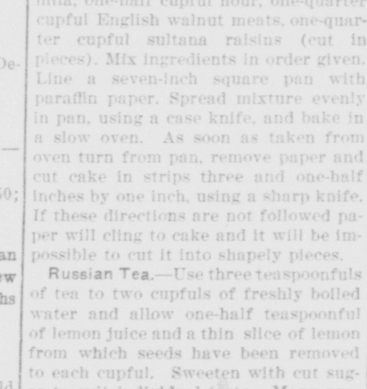
Russian Tea.—Use three teaspoonfuls of tea to two cupfuls of freshly boiled water and allow one-half teaspoonful of lemon juice and a thin slice of lemon from which seeds have been removed to each cupful. Sweeten with cut sugar to suit individual taste. Many prefer the addition of three whole cloves or a candied cherry.

Hot Chocolate.—One and one-half squares of unsweetened chocolate, one-quarter cupful sugar, few grains salt, a cupful boiling water, three cupfuls milk. Scald milk, melt chocolate (in small saucepan placed over hot water), add sugar, salt and, gradually, boiling water. When smooth place on range and boil one minute. Add to scalded milk, mill and serve in chocolate cups with whipped cream. To mill chocolate beat until froth forms on top, preventing scum. Use Dover egg beater.

Whipped Cream.—Three-quarters cupful thick cream, one-quarter cupful milk, one-third cupful powdered sugar, one-half teaspoonful vanilla, white one egg. Mix cream and milk, beat until stiff, using egg beater; add sugar, vanilla and white of egg beaten until stiff.

Christmas Plum Pudding.

One pound of raisins, one-half pound of currants, six ounces of candied peel, three-fourths pound of breadcrumbs,



three-fourths pound of suet, four ounces of flour, three-fourths pound of sugar, five eggs, brandy if desired.

Mix well, fill greased basins two-thirds full, tie a cloth over and steam (allowing water to come halfway up the basins) at least six hours. To serve, steam again about two hours, turn out, stick a holly sprig in the top, pour a little brandy in the dish and set fire to it.

Oyster Cocktail.

Allow seven small oysters to each person and season with three-fourths teaspoonful of lemon juice, one-half teaspoonful of tomato ketchup, one-half teaspoonful of finely chopped shallot, three drops of tabasco sauce and salt to taste. Chill thoroughly and serve in cocktail glass. Sprinkle with finely chopped celery before sending to table.

DANIEL BOONE'S LONG SWING

Pursued by Indians, He Cut Grapevine Near Ground and Sailed Far Enough to Break Track.

Do you remember reading in one of the school histories about how the doughty Daniel Boone, when pursued by Indians on his way to the unknown wilderness of Kentucky, cut a grapevine near the ground so that it formed a swing upon which he traveled through the air far enough to break his track? If you read it, you probably thought it a bit fishy, writes Niksah. Unless you live somewhere in the Alleghany mountains you would not believe that wild grapevines are long enough or strong enough or hold onto the trees tight enough to make much of a swung.

As a matter of fact, there is no reason to doubt that Daniel made the swing and got away from the Indians. For in the mountains of western Maryland and eastern West Virginia, across which Daniel took his hazardous way, the boys are still making such swings just for fun. And royal fun it is. The writer was driving through the mountains near the upper Potomac when he saw some enormous grapevines drooping 60 or 70 feet from the tops of the trees. They had been cut close to the ground, and the hillside above them was all plowed up by the feet of youngsters.

The temptation to try the Daniel Boone stunt was as irresistible. It was quickly proved that by taking a running start down the hill one could swing a most amazing and breath-taking distance right out over the creek. Swings made with ropes were tame by comparison. But there was no temptation to emulate Daniel by letting loose at the end of the swing. It took pioneering nerve to do that.

CATS WILL GUARD CHICKENS

While Watching for Rats, They Frighten Away Hawks—Are Broken From Killing Little Ones.

Did you know that cats are a valuable asset to the poultryman? You might believe that they were anything but invaluable because of their innate love for fresh meats. But sweeter than baby chicks to the palate of the cat are the smooth-coated, long-tailed creatures of the rat family. And rats prey upon chickens, asserts the Poultryman.

During the course of a year there is more loss in the poultry world from the ravages of rats than from cats or hawks, or even disease. A cat in the chicken yard, if trained to properly value the life of the chickens, will terrorize and destroy the rats and will ward off the enemy hawks and so prove himself or herself of great worth.

Cats have proved their worth as chicken yard sentinels, and there have been many and various methods employed by their owners to break them from killing the chickens. One well-known method is that of tying a dead chicken about a cat's neck and making him tug around the heavy dead body for from one to two days. In the meantime the cat will supposedly grow to have a great dread and horror of a dead chicken.

Explaining the Universe.

I suppose that we have all had moments of sudden illumination when it occurred to us that we had explained the universe, and it was so easy for us that we wondered why we had not done it before, says S. M. Crothers in the Atlantic. Some thought drifted into our mind and filled us with vague forebodings of omniscience. It was not an ordinary thought that explained only a fragment of existence. It explained everything. It proved one thing and it proved the opposite just as well. It explained why things are as they are, and if it should turn out that they are not that way at all, it would prove that fact also. In the light of our great thought chaos seemed rational. Such thoughts usually occur about four o'clock in the morning. Having explained the universe, we relapse into satisfied slumber. When, a few hours later, we rise, we wonder what the explanation was.

Lacustral Settlements.

The lacustral settlements were places of refuge for a pastoral and agricultural people, and the light and dryness that characterized the dwellings show a step in advance toward more permanent abodes. In this period science places the beginning of civilization. By these lacustrine men spinning and weaving were invented. Agriculture was born among them; animals were domesticated—the ox, the cow, the sheep, the goat, the dog. The uses of metal were discovered, and the age of iron was ushered in. Habitations similar to these still exist in the East Indies, and among the Amazonian tribes of Maracaibo. They existed also in Lake Prasias, in Thrace, during the time of Herodotus, the Greek historian.

Spiders Ride on Flies.

There is an aspect of spider and fly relations which fabulists and naturalists alike have overlooked. A correspondent who has brought the microscope to bear on many houseflies, finds that the parasite upon that hateful insect is often an immature spider, says the London Chronicle. Too weak yet to spin its web, it makes the fly its winged palfrey, and courses from place to place at the will of its captive; either until Pegasus perishes naturally, or, presumably, until the rider is able to make a meal of his charger. This, if confirmed, seems to carry us a step farther in the study of parasitism and commensalism.

IS CHRISTMAS OF GIVING THIS YEAR

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work in the land of our Savior and other foreign work.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The following program under the direction of Miss Virginia Lawson will be given:

Opening Song ..... School
Prayer ..... By Pastor
Recitation ..... Owen Lewis
Song ..... Ten Girls
Recitation ..... mma Ruth Bellows
..... Charles Bell
Recitation ..... La Rue Robey
Recitation ..... Wniifred Todd
Violin Solo.... Margaret Louise Hosmer
Play..... "Uncle Sam to the Rescue"
Santa..... Chilton Robinson
Mrs. Santa..... Lona Gilbert
War ..... Ora McPherron
War's Followers—
Hunger..... Margaret Louise Hosmer
Pestilence..... Lota Claire Landfather
Death ..... Bertha Kessler
Belgium ..... Lois Gilbert
France ..... Winifred Todd
England ..... Billee Wright
Germany ..... Elizabeth Hamlin
Uncle Sam..... Marvin Westfall
Liberty Girls..... Elaine Wright
..... Mary Holt
..... Thelma Fox
..... Lorraine Hartley
Boy Scouts
Peace ..... Ruth Miller
Offering.
Solo ..... Harold Daniels
Recitation..... Le Roy Fisher
Recitation ..... Donald Robey
Solo ..... Lois Gilbert
Recitation ..... William Garrett
Solo ..... Dorris Goforth
Recitation ..... Harold Warner

J. B. Jones will leave tomorrow for Tarkio, Mo., to visit over Christmas with his sister.

Frank Stinson of Miles City, Mont., arrived in Maryville last night to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. A. T. Stinson.

Oscar Hanna of South Dakota arrived in Maryville this morning to visit with friends.

G. H. Porterfield of College Springs was in Maryville today.

Mr .and Mrs. Clarence Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Miller of Burlington Junction were in Maryville on business today.

Mr. and Mrs. John Goeke will leave tomorrow for Kirksville, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. Goeke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Goeke.

Miss Ruth Miller will leave tomorrow for Melco, Mo., to visit her mother, drs. E. C. Miller.

Maud Irwin left this afternoon for Kansas City to visit her sister, Mrs. M. A. Wilke.

PEACE TALK WILL BE FUTILE

The United States Will Not Discuss Any Abstract Suggestions—German Propaganda Falls Flat

Washington, Dec. 21. — The United States will not discuss any abstract suggestion of peace or peace terms; its position is too clear to necessitate any such action. The above declaration comes from one ofthe highest officials of the government today, and sums up the attitude o fthe administration towards the latest batch of German peace propaganda that is being circulated from certain sources.

FRANCE AWEITS OFFENSIVE

Is Prepared for the Attack That Is Promised if German Peace Terms Are Refused

Paris, Dec. 21.—Germany's threat of a colossal offensive on the western front if her new peace overtures are rejected, is causing no alarm in France. It is generally believed the blow will fall on the French army, if it is started, but it was stated today from the highest authority, that complete preparation had been made to meet it. There is a noticeable increase in fighting activities in Alsace and Lorrain.

Rome, Dec. 21.—Great German and Austrian guns with a range of sixteen miles have been dragged through the mountains between Fuenta and the Piave river and are shelling the lines of communication behind the Italian front. The capture of Mone Asolize by the invaders gives them dominating positions of the greatest importance.

London, Dec. 21.—There is nothing to report from the British front. A Petrograd dispatch that all former czars of Russia and their families have been ordered by the Bolsheviki government to leave the country or seek refuge abroad.

Will Merrigan of Clyde and James Allen of Conception were among the out of town people in Maryville yesterday.

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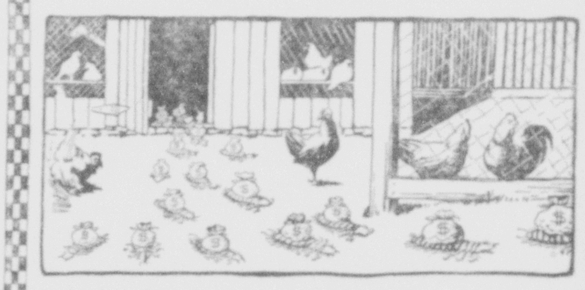
$7.25 for Ball and Bat Fund.

A draft for Maryville's contribution to the Clark C. Griffith Ball and Bat Fund was sent to the Washington headquarters today. No specific quota was designated for Maryville and only small gifts were asked. The subscription list, which totaled $7.25, was placed in the Maryville Drug Company store. There were twenty-two contributors to the fund in Maryville.

New American movements military wrist watches just received today. $10 and up. Kuchs Bros.

Bird and Noah Thompson of Bedison were in Maryville today.

The Lice are Getting your Profits



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